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CAMBRIDGE UFO RESEARCH GROUP NEWSLETTER - DECEMBER, 1983

Our October meeting was most interesting. We had, as our guest speaker, Oscar Magocsi, author of two books plus another one to be marketed in February, 1984. Oscar told us of his UFO contact encounter, which was the basis of his first book "My Space Odyssey in UFO's". He had a most interesting experience wherein he was taken aboard a craft, travelled to various areas on our planet and was taken to another planet. The space being whom he has had several contacts with is called Argus. Oscar's second book is called "Beyond My Space Odyssey in UFO's". Briefly, it relates how he met Argus again in Manhattan, N.Y., on July 15, 1980. At that time, on the street, they both saw MIB's in a typical big black car. The last contact noted in this book was on January 23, 1983, near Grimsby Beach, Ontario. He, again had contact with Argus. His new book will be entitled "No. 2 - My Space Odyssey in UFO's". We had a full house for that meeting, which was an obvious indication of how interesting people felt his encounter was.

At our November meeting we had as our guest speaker Allan Jaggard, member of The Aetherius Society. He spoke about the founder of the group and the group's belief. Sir George King, their founder, has been in communication with interplanetary intelligences since 1954. From that time he has received more than 600 cosmic transmissions. Between March 5 and 9, 1980, six Interplanetary Intelligences



volunteered to help mankind and placed specially tuned modules on four planets in the Solar System - Saturn, Jupiter, Venus and Neptune. On January 23, 1981, they put into orbit a satellite specially tuned into these modules, which could be used as a reception and relay station for Spiritual Energies coming from these Planets. These Spiritual Energies can be used in Special Power manipulations for the benefit of all terrestrial life. Membership in the society has spread to the United Kingdom, U.S. and Australia. Allan is from the Toronto group. Many books are available from this society, example The Flying Saucers, Life on Planets, etc. A complete book list can be obtained from this society in Toronto. Allan was a most interesting speaker and relayed a lot of information. Unfortunately, we ran out of time, he had so much to relay to us. We will definitely have Allan back in the Spring.

We had a social gathering for our December meeting. We commenced the evening by watching a movie. One of our members, Arno Melzer, brought his new Yamaha Organ and entertained us with several "space songs", which he originated the words for. It was most entertaining and enjoyable. Everyone brought something, be it food and/or liquid refreshment, and we had a small feast. I was presented with a new mascot, being a large ceramic "ET", he's just adorable and also the book "Cosmos", by Carl Sagan. I extend my extreme thanks to the group for these gifts and a special thanks to Cecilia Van Manen for her assistance year round.

*Sincere Good Wishes for the Holidays and
Happiness All Through the Coming Year*

Bonnie Wheeler

Bonnie Wheeler, President,
Cambridge UFO Research Group.



Date of Interview: November 5, 1983
Date of Sighting: Spring, 1980
Time: 11:30 P.M.
Duration: 20 minutes
Location: Paisley Heights, Cambridge, Ontario

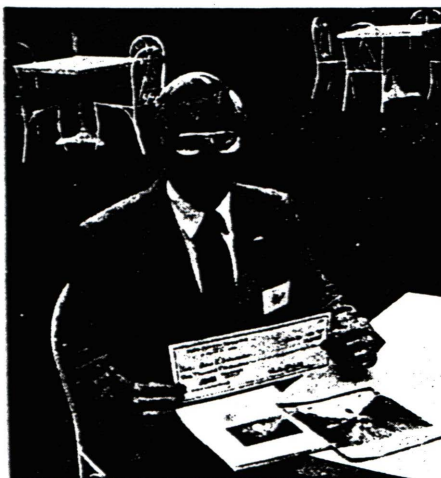
Pat was in bed when a bright light, illuminating the bedroom woke him up. The light was so bright it was like the bedroom light was on. Pat got up to see what the light was and looked out the bedroom window. He couldn't see anything. The outside was very bright, but he couldn't tell where the light was coming from. At the same time as he saw the light he heard a humming noise, which he likened to the noise of a spinning top. The noise got louder and louder, until it was so loud the windows vibrated with the sound. Pat's wife was so frightened she would not get up. The sound went away momentarily and then came back just as loud. The light was still as bright. Then the sound and light diminished, as if going up and away. It was a mild spring evening, no wind.

This sighting was called in to me. Pat heard about our group and felt he should tell someone about his experience. He does not have any idea what it was.

No conclusion can be drawn from this event, however, I felt it should be recorded, as events similar to the above have occurred during a UFO sighting.



An update on the disappearance of Frederick Valentich, an Australian pilot, appeared in the MUFON UFO Journal, No. 185, July, 1983. It is attached. "Copyright 1983 by the Mutual UFO Network, 103 Oldtowne Rd., Seguin, Texas."



John Schuessler Displays Lawson Award Check

John F. Schuessler, MUFON Deputy Director, was the recipient of the Alvin H. Lawson UFO Research Award for the most significant published research report in 1982 for the Cash-Landrum investigation. Fred Whiting, representing the Fund for UFO Research, presented a \$1,500 check to Mr. Schuessler during a brief ceremony at the MUFON 1983 UFO Symposium in Pasadena, California in recognition of his outstanding accomplishment. We are delighted that John has been recognized in this manner for his work on the Cash-Landrum Case.

AUSTRALIAN UPDATE

By Keith Basterfield

As of July 1983, it has been almost 5 years since the disappearance of Melbourne pilot Frederick Valentich over Bass Strait. To date no one really knows for certain just what befell him on that fateful night of Oct. 21, 1978.

A variety of stories circulated at the time of the disappearance, but as the months went by these became fewer and fewer. Only a few tantalizing press items periodically revive the story. I will present three such items which have appeared since 1978 as an update for readers:

- In 1980 the discovery of three aluminum strips in the sea near Flinders Island with the numbers 266 and 466 painted on them led to the first "the plane has been found" report. Analysis revealed the metal was not from Valentich's aircraft.
- 1982 brought the story of a group of Melbourne businessmen who declared they were only weeks away from raising the plane, after finding it. The story related how an independent film producer had seen actual photographs of the aircraft located under water, and that the world would soon know the answer to the mystery. Later the pictures were said to be in the U.S.A. Exactly where, with whom, and for what purpose was not revealed. The story died with no further evidence forthcoming.
- Lastly, in June 1983 fishermen in Bass Strait dredged up a piece of wreckage from 27 fathoms deep, off Flinders Island. The object was 37 cm long, 20 cm deep, and 10 cm wide, painted orange and containing electrical components. Wide media speculation questioned whether or not it was a part of the missing plane. Analysis showed it to be part of a sonar buoy unrelated to the aircraft.

To date no concrete evidence has emerged to tell us just what did occur on Oct. 21, 1978.

Our own "retrieval" case?

Not to be outdone by the American experience with tantalizing retrieval events, Australia may have produced one of its own. Certainly a story of one exists.

In September 1982 a Mr. Noel Martin, 32, of Wollongong NSW made nationwide news with an announcement that he was going to raise money for a venture to raise an object which he had personally seen crash into the sea in 1957. He related that his parents, an aunt, and three of his brothers and sisters, all viewed a fiery ball pass over them apparently under artificial control and fall into the sea. It was reported he had registered a company called "UFO Recovery 82" and was looking for \$250,000 (Aust.) for funds for the operation.

Nothing more was heard of the venture until press reports in April 1983 quoted Mr. Martin as stating that a diving team had found the area where the UFO had disappeared. One item went on to say: "I am convinced it's still there. It was a metallic object and was flying out of control when it crashed." It was hoped to locate parts of the object within a week. As of July 1983 nothing further has been heard from the retrieval team.

May 1983 UFO "Flap"

Press clippings will by now have filtered around the world revealing an apparent invasion of the state of Victoria by nocturnal lights. However, in my opinion all is not what it seems. This author has reviewed some 60 press clippings, and transcripts of radio and television news items on the events of May 20-29, and the majority of events almost certainly have mundane causes. I hope our Victorian representative Paul Norman will shortly come forth with an indepth review of the "flap" for us all to read.

The "flap" was largely of nocturnal light observations, with apparently spinning lights changing colors, red/green/blue/white. Close reading of the information given revealed sky positions corresponding to various stars. The planets Jupiter and Venus were also misidentified. Media hype contributed greatly to the confusion. One Melbourne TV station took a film of one of these lights, which was later revealed to have been a star.

All in all, in my opinion, a "flap" over nothing.

EDITOR RESIGNS

Richard Hall, editor of the *MUFON UFO Journal* for the past 6 years, has resigned due to personal and professional reasons. Citing the need for time to pursue other interests and to be relieved of excessive paperwork and correspondence, Hall said he would remain active in MUFON in some less demanding capacity.

"For the time being I intend to continue as Secretary-Treasurer of the Fund for UFO Research, as a Board Member of the North American UFO Federation, and Associate Member of the Center for UFO Studies," he said. "But that is already a heavy commitment and something else may have to give too."

Hall said other professional opportunities had suffered as a result of his time-consuming UFO work, as have his recreational activities. His interests include gardening, houseplants, hiking, painting, and freelance writing. "As it is," he said "I have almost no time for anything except my job and UFOs. I am over-committed, and other things are equally important to me."

Hall is the fourth *Journal* editor; his predecessors were Norma Short, Dwight Connelly, and Dennis Hauck. A search is underway for a replacement.

The sleek UFO then came back down to within about 300 feet of the jet bomber and began circling the aircraft. It circled overhead and underneath at fantastic speeds, so fast that they could hardly see it. The object stayed with them, pacing overhead and underneath, doing all sorts of maneuvering around the B-47 for well over an hour.

During this time Major Waste had made his way back through the inside passageway to the pilot's area where he and the co-pilot shot photos of the missile-like intruder with their personal cameras. Many of their pictures were taken when it was close overhead, displaying considerable detail. Major Waste had a new Nikon sequencing camera with a telephoto lens. An expert photography buff, he shot 32 frames of 35mm color film of the craft during the encounter.

The maneuvering capability was incredible. The object would cut in front of the plane, at one time doing a perfect figure eight, as if showing off. Once it slowed down in front of them, and they started into its exhaust flame. When they were sure they would collide, it pulled away and maneuvered around the aircraft.

Their radio instructions from the ground were to pursue and, if possible, force the UFO down. Major Waste remarked, "No way were we going to be able to force that thing down!" The crew's opinion was that this unusual craft did not come from anywhere on this planet, due to its appearance and maneuvering capability.

The two planes behind were watching and listening to the air-to-ground communications between Major Waste's plane and the air base. When the action started, they did move up for a closer look, but kept at a safe distance. All immediate action was centered around the lead aircraft.

As if content with the time spent "showing up" the inferior B-47, the sleek craft once again shot upward into the sky and disappeared, not returning again.

All the B-47s on this training mis-

sion landed safely at Barksdale A.F.B. and the crews were released after debriefing and sent home, except for the crew of Major Waste's plane and the two other accompanying aircraft. The wives and family members of these three planes were all anxiously awaiting their arrival and release from duty at the base, but were told to go back home without them, that they would be detained for some time. The crews are specifically instructed not to discuss military matters or incidents while on duty with anyone, even their wives.

The three involved B-47 crews were confined to the A.F.B. for almost three days for special debriefing as the result of their encounter with the unknown craft. All the film the crews took of the UFO was confiscated. The luggage bags and other personal effects thoroughly searched for any possible additional film. The planes were carefully searched as well. Family members calling the base, inquiring why the three crews were being detained and why they could not come home, were told they could not discuss the reasons. No information at all was available. Major Waste finally came home on the third day at about 9 p.m. to a very upset wife and her son, whose birthday he missed because of the detainment.

Mrs. Waste prodded her husband, promising not to tell anyone the reason

for his detainment, and she kept that promise all these years until now. He finally agreed to tell her in the strictest confidence about the unusual encounter, and told her never to tell anyone about it. Since that time, she has remained in touch with the other two crew member's families and three other retired officers acquainted with the incident. She was good enough to phone these retired officers for me to ask for verification and permission to use their names or let me talk to them. All flatly refused and one even denied any knowledge of the event. The others did verify to her that the encounter took place but refused to discuss it, even with her.

It is incredible the "strangle hold" our government agencies have over military personnel, threatening reprisal to silence them about their involvement in a world-wide phenomenon which, in most cases, does not involve classified military information.

In the case at hand, we apparently have an answer to James Oberg's question stated in his article in *TRUE* 1981, *Outer Space and Paranormal World Quarterly*, "Where are the UFO photographs?" Perhaps Captain James Oberg's influence with the Pentagon is sufficient to obtain the release of the Major Waste photographs, or at least to disclose where they are filed? □

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MAKE THEM A CUFOS ASSOCIATE OF THE BEST KIND AND HELP THEM EXPAND THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF THE UFO PHENOMENON. YOUR GIFT (ON THEIR BEHALF) WILL HELP EXPAND OUR WORK IN THIS FIELD AND...IT IS FEDERAL INCOME TAX-DEDUCTIBLE. SEE THE APPLICATION FORM ON PAGE 15 AND...MANY THANKS!



In the International UFO Reporter, May/June, Vol. 8, No. 3, appeared two excellent well documented UFO cases. These are attached.

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THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



An Incredible Close Encounter from

by Mark R. Remaley

[Ed. note: As our editorial in this issue warned, here is one of the truly weird and baffling UFO reports. Had there not been two mature witnesses involved, flying their own plane, in clear, calm daytime sky, and had I (JAH) not interviewed both witnesses by phone, I would not have referred this case to Mr. Remaley (himself a pilot and a sky diver) for further study. Presented here are the results of his personal interview with Mr. Michael Davis (25), the pilot of the plane, and with his father (52), the co-pilot, by phone. The editing has been minimal.]

TYPE: CE-I (II)
DATE: Oct. 24, 1982
TIME: 9:20 A.M.
DURATION: 10 minutes
WITNESSES: 2 (Father and son, student pilot and pilot, respectively)
PLACE: Approx. 10 miles south and east of Lowell, Ind., observed from a private plane, approx. 3000 ft. MSL.

I met with Michael Davis in early January, 1983. He proved to be articulate, intelligent, and a not very excitable person, yet genuinely puzzled by his experience. Judging from his careful responses and the manner in which he had recorded all the movements of his aircraft relative to the UFO, I give his story high marks for credibility. My sole reservations, apart from some relatively minor contradictions under questioning, come from my wonder at his ability to keep such excellent records during a flight which resembles a WW-II dogfight.

I dismiss the possibility of a hoax because of absence of any discernible motive for publicity and because nothing during the course of the interviews suggested such a possibility. They came across as highly credible witnesses to a very remarkable event.

Michael Davis, the aircraft pilot (250 hours flying time) and his father (a student pilot) were returning to the Lowell, Ind. airport after flying to the Porter County airport to practice navigation and landings. After some "touch and go" landings, they left on their return leg, flying a 1968 Cherokee 140 single-engine, low-wing aircraft. The weather was exceptionally clear, visibility unlimited, with no clouds and no turbulence. Both witnesses remarked on how exceptionally calm their flight was.

Approximately 4 to 5 minutes after takeoff, and just after reaching their cruise altitude of 3,000 feet MSL (2,300 feet above ground level), on a course of 240 magnetic, doing 120 knots, the pilot (Michael) noticed (see map) an object that at first he took to be a malfunctioning parachute, due not only to its shape but because he had learned the previous day that the Valparaiso, Ind. University Skydiving

Team was going to be making practice jumps that morning. He then remembered, however, that when he had seen the jump plane take off it had headed due east while the object now in view was to the west of his plane which itself was considerably west of the Porter airport.

The object first appeared in his 10 o'clock position sufficiently enough below their level to be silhouetted against the ground. After viewing it for about 20 seconds he began to note its unusual configuration. He described it as having a "bee's-head shape." Noting that the object would pass beneath him, where it would be out of sight due to the plane's low-wing design, he initiated a steep (45°) left-hand turn, (B) applying power and climbing to 3,500 ft. MSL to give a safe 1,000 feet vertical clearance. Immediately before this turn, the UFO appeared to be on a bearing of 355 magnetic (1 UFO Course) (almost due north) and at a

KEY TO MAP POSITIONS

- A: Pilot and co-pilot watch UFO (position 1) approach to within ½ mile. The plane was at 3,000 feet, the UFO at 2,400 feet.
- B: The plane takes a 45-degree bank to the left, climbing to 3,500 feet. The UFO passes the plane on the right side and beneath it (position 2).
- C: After losing sight of the UFO, the pilot sees it again to the left and 45-degrees behind the plane.
- E: The pilot makes a slow right turn, descending to 1,800 feet, as the UFO drops behind out of sight. Turbulence is felt as the plane passes through the UFO's flight path.
- F: Leveling out of the turn, the co-pilot spots the UFO 45-degrees behind on the right, only 50 yards away.
- G: As the plane makes a slow bank to the right, the UFO (position 3) suddenly reverses course. The pilot pulls in behind the UFO to chase it.
- H: Following the UFO's path (position 4), the plane hits turbulence. The UFO was now about 5 miles ahead of the plane.
- I: Again the UFO suddenly reverses direction (position 5), aiming directly at plane and closing the distance within 15 seconds. At the last instant the UFO veered to the left, missing the plane's wingtip by only 10 feet.
- J: As the UFO climbed out of sight (position 6), the plane resumed its course.

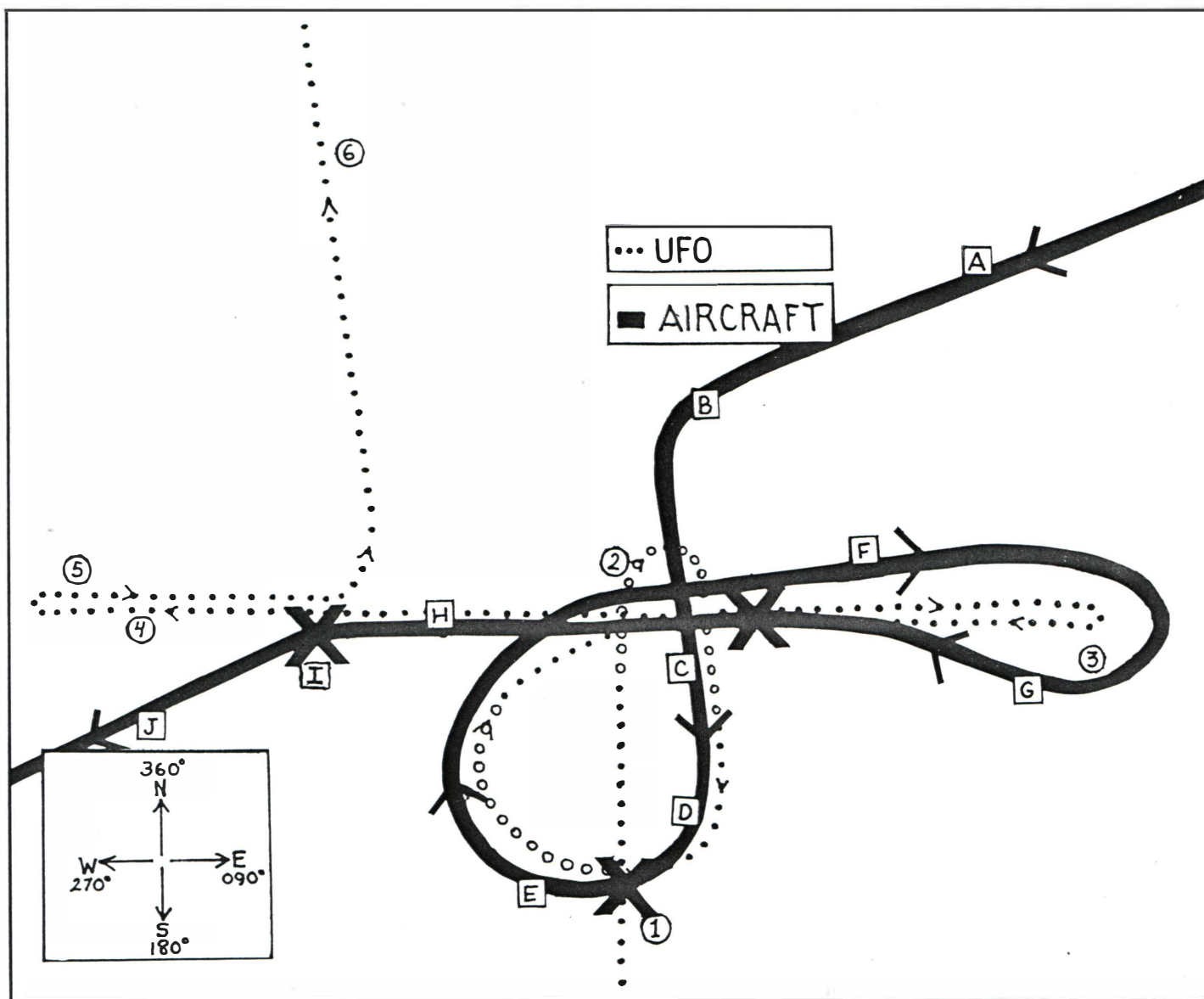
Credible Pilots

height of approximately 2,400 MSL and doing 120 KIAS. Davis had made his turn so as to come out of it on a near-reciprocal bearing of 170° (C) with the object to pass below them and on their right side (1, 2, 3) within easy viewing by the co-pilot, Everett Davis, who watched it go under the wing and disappear behind them. Michael, planning to turn and pursue, looked around for the target and was startled, to say the least, to find it just 10 seconds later only 50 yards behind them (2) (rear left at 45°, their 7:30 position) holding their course and speed.

(NOTE: If these times are correct, this indicates a climb speed of 6,000 feet per minute, or 100 feet per second, virtually impossible for any propeller-driven aircraft, with the possible exception of a distinctive Cobra-class helicopter. A jet like the F-16 or F-18 could do it but; a) could not have been flying at 120 knots in the first place, since it lands at a higher speed than that, and b) even if it could have made a full throttle turn to their level that rapidly, it would have been impossible for it to have slowed down again to their speed without overshooting

them at a much higher rate. Two pilot friends, both very experienced had the same objections. One had suggested the Cobra as a remote possibility but the other said; "No f... way, you'd tear the rotors off!" As for the testing of a new flaps/spoiler system by the Air Force, I believe Arizona or Utah would be a more reasonable locale for this than near Gary, Ind.).

At this point, after a brief exchange of words with his co-pilot, Davis began a slow turn to the right, (D) away from the object, and initiated



Incredible Encounter — continued

a gradual descent from 3,500 to 1,800 feet. Immediately thereafter, he lost sight of the UFO, but as he continued the turn, the co-pilot picked it up again. It was still matching their movements and was still only 50 yards away, but it had crossed over to the inside of their turn, appearing now on their right quarter (E) (their 4:30 position), and holding steady with them.

As they descended through the object's original flight path, (X-1) they encountered about two seconds of heavy turbulence; the pilot described it "like hitting the vortex of a large airliner." Until then, the flight had been entirely smooth; the pilot remarked on this point several times.

After making a nearly 270° turn, they levelled out at 1,800 ft. on a bearing of 90° at 140 knots, with the object still holding at 50 yards at their 4:30 position (F). After a mile or two, Davis, having difficulty seeing from the left seat, banked slightly to the right, across the UFO's path [Ed note: a foolhardy thing to do] coming to a bearing of 120°. The object did not turn with them, but slowed down to remain on the inside of the curve.

At this point, both occupants of the plane had a good look at "IT" for almost a minute. They described it as a complex 3-part structure consisting of a set of four tubes and a nozzle with two upper ringed-dome sections. The nozzle itself was cream colored but had small dark markings resembling cooling vents or fins. The rest of the lower structure was translucent grey with a tinge of blue, like some type of raw plastic stock. The upper structures consisted of two pod-like domes, connected at their bottom center by a sort of tubular swivel-joint. The major portion of the dome surfaces were of a silver-blue color, with the right dome (from their point of view) being approximately 20 per cent larger than the other. Both "domes" were encircled at their equators by a ring of geodesic-type panels made out of some glass-like substance, clearish

but with an almost iridescent blue-grey sheen.

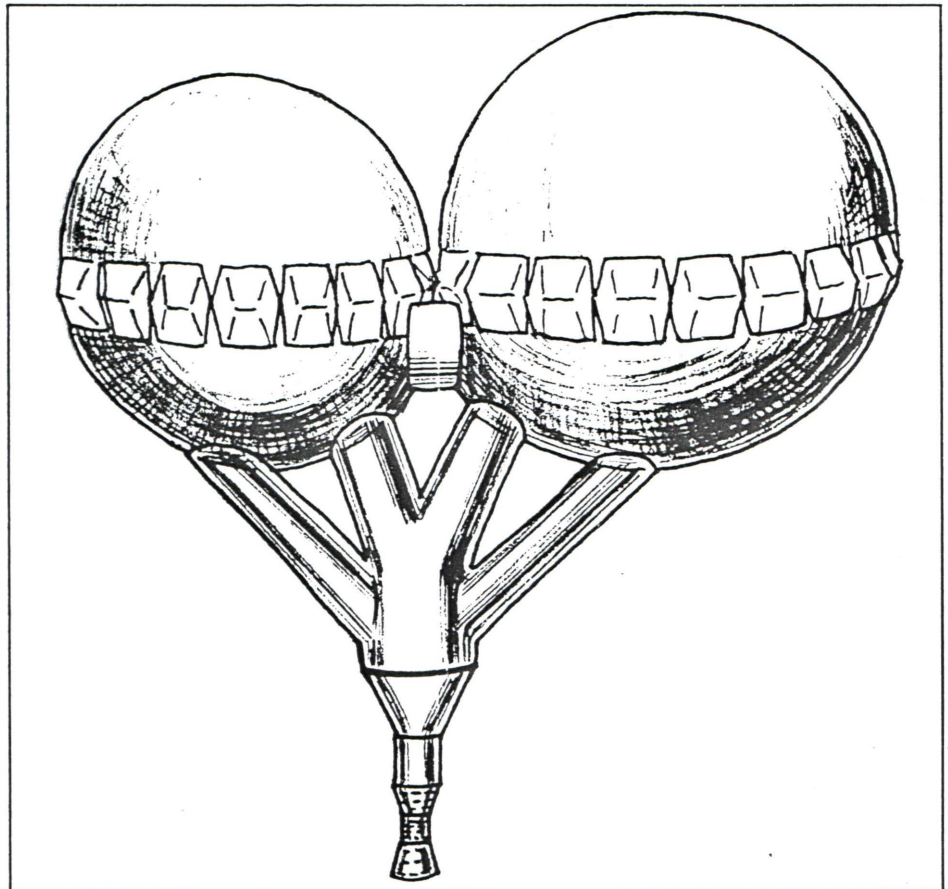
At first it was estimated that the overall height of the object was only 7 feet, width 6 feet, but later considerations revised this considerably upward. Considerable uncertainty was introduced by the difficulty of estimating sizes of unfamiliar objects without an aerial reference point.

Now, as the UFO slowed to stay inside their curve, the two domes began to gyrate in a peculiar manner, best described as a twisting motion akin to holding two tennis balls, one in each hand, and rotating one ball away from you, and the other in the opposite sense (while still touching them together), and then reversing the directions.

Both pilots now looked momentarily away. ("I had to fly the plane, and my father just wasn't looking." [Ed note: I find it hard to believe that his attention wouldn't have been completely riveted on this strange object the entire time.]. The UFO now, without any sort of transition, instantly reversed course, (3) heading back on a mirror-image bearing of 270°, remaining at its level of 1,800 feet at a speed of 140 knots, in a period of "not more than two seconds." There was no warning of this move; the object was with them one second, speeding directly away the next.

Seeing this, the pilot completed his turn to the right, standing the plane on its wing-tip and hauling it around sharply to curve back directly behind the UFO in a pursuit position (G), and

The UFO, Davis said, looked like two geodesic domes connected together with a nozzle by four tubes. It appeared to be about 7 feet in height, 6 feet across, with one dome 20 per cent larger than the other. The domes were silver-blue, encircled by a ring of geodesic panels made out of some glass-like substance, clear with an iridescent blue-grey sheen.



about a mile to the object's rear. The moment they fell in directly behind, they again encountered the same heavy turbulence as before (X-2). This time the turbulence continued for the length of the pursuit. Despite this, Davis "fire-walled" the throttle, up to the aircraft's maximum cruise speed in level flight, 140 knots. Nevertheless, the object began to pull directly away from them (H-4), gradually building to between 50 and 100 mph, separation speed, and drawing almost 5 miles away (5). The fact that the object could still be seen at that distance led to the upward revision of its size estimate.

After three or four minutes of uselessly wasting fuel, and not wanting to damage his motor, the pilot was just about to give up the chase when, suddenly, despite the distance, both observers saw the dome-spheres go into their peculiar rotation again.

Almost instantly the object reversed course once again (5), pick

ing up speed fast by this time, and giving them only enough time to realize that it had reversed course, where it was headed, and enough time to wonder "if this was it." Then, at the last possible moment, the object flicked across their nose (I), veering to its left and missing the aircraft's right wing tip by no more than 10 feet. At the instant that it passed, the vortex hit them so hard (X-4) that the plane's airframe groaned in protest, and the altimeter "went wacky."

The Davis' sat frozen for a moment, watching the UFO as it continued to curve to the left, back on what appeared to be its original heading of 355°, still accelerating, and eventually beginning to climb, until it finally disappeared (6) into the distant haze. At no time during the encounter had the UFO shown any sort of exhaust trail.

Thoroughly chastened, both men decided enough was enough, and set

their course (J) to the original 240° to their destination, now within visual range. Still rather shaken, they unfortunately did not remember to call around to ascertain whether anyone also had viewed their brief episode, nor to see whether they were within anyone's radar coverage. [Ed. note: We need a psychologist's input here. Is it possible to be so utterly shaken by an event that one omits doing the obvious, intelligent thing, in this case to "get on the air" immediately to anyone listening, including the control tower, to obtain corroboration and vital information about so unusual an event?]

We are deeply indebted to Mr. Remaley for this detailed interview and for the excellent drawings of the trajectories of the two craft. And once again, we ask our readers for any suggestions they might have on whether this extraordinary event might have a rational explanation, if the facts are as stated in the Davis-Remaley interview. □

Report from Argentina

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Spanish gentleman, Julio F. and his dog Mus, in the province of Sorio, Spain.

The gist of Ribera's ideas is that we are facing a super-mechanics, created by a superior technology, making it impossible for us to fit the observed UFO phenomena into the framework of present-day science. He also stressed the number of times a UFO "flap" coincided with a close approach of Mars to the earth, a fact which cannot be denied, although there have been close approaches without "flaps."

THE REALITY OF THE MEN IN BLACK: Carlos del Frade

An analysis of 23 UFO related cases, of which six ended tragically. Unfortunately we do not have a transcript of this paper and will withhold further comment until we do.

PRESENTATION BY DR. VIRGILIO SANCHEZ OJECO

We have no formal title for this paper by Dr. Sanchez. The paper, however, dealt with an interesting case of a "contactee" he has been working with who is both deaf and dumb, thus presenting quite a problem in communication. Dr. Sanchez is a resident of Miami, an investigator for the Center for UFO Studies, and is well known to many American ufologists. He is the author of the book "UFO Contact from Undersea," the story of the Filiberto Cardenas abduction, reportedly witnessed by several intimates.

In this paper he described how, although deaf and dumb (he is, however, a good artist) he reportedly can hear the voices of his communicators clearly in his mind. Dr. Sanchez is very

interested in the contactee problem and has proposed that an international meeting of contactees and ufologists be planned in order to bring together and examine critically the "messages" of the contactee. This is, of course, what Dr. Leo Sprinkle has attempted in several meetings on a smaller scale than that proposed by Dr. Sanchez. It is hoped that the two of them will cooperate and succeed in such a worthwhile venture.

UFOs: IN SEARCH OF A DEFINITION: Fabio Zerpa

The proposed definition: "An ET artifact piloted by humanoids" is so self-defeating that comment is hardly worthwhile. Reference was made to the sighting of Oct. 31, 1981, as seen by a young woman on board a plane. As a consequence she was supposed to have suffered a time lapse and other anomalous phenomena. It is unfortunate that Mr. Zerpa was not aware that the so-called UFO of that date was simply the sighting over a wide area of

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Two Humanoids in Gallio

by Antonio Chiumiento

Two manuscripts concerning two Close Encounters in Italy were submitted to us by Antonio Chiumiento, of the Centro Ufologico Nazionale [CUN] of Italy, one directly by mail and the other transmitted to us in person by Roberto Pinotti, president of CUN at the time of my visit to Italy. The first is presented here, with some editing owing to limited space, and the second is scheduled for the next issue. Mr. Chiumiento is a serious and meticulous investigator who has cautiously couched his manuscript throughout with such terms as "possible UFO event" and "object" and "supposed" and "presumed" and "in our opinion." We shall present both papers as examples of straightforward investigative reporting of a UFO event, fully aware, as Mr. Chiumiento obviously is, of the pitfalls inherent in UFO investigations and of the haunting question we all face: "Did this really happen?"

If this were the only account of a CE-III one would be sorely tempted to dismiss it as "an aberration... just one of those things," but it takes its place with hundreds of similar accounts from different parts of the world. Do we dismiss them all? That would hardly be the scientific approach. Here then is the first account.

TYPE: CE-III
DATE: Nov. 24, 1978
TIME: 11:45 A.M. (Weather, brisk and sunny)
DURATION: 4-5 minutes
WITNESSES: One, plus strong possibility of a second, independent witness.
PLACE: Gallio (Vicenza), Italy

It was almost noon on a sunny day in November, 1978 that Angelo D'Ambros, a 61-year-old pensioner, out alone gathering firewood in a local copse, turned as he put down a freshly cut branch and saw to his horror two "beings" with approximately human

features just a few feet away from him. One was about 4 feet tall, the other about 8 inches shorter; they were suspended in the air, about a foot or more off the ground. They were extremely thin and had a yellowish skin so stretched over their bones that some big veins were clearly visible on the creature closest to him. Their heads were pear-like, smooth and bald, and at the sides were enormous ears which rose vertically and ended in points. Their eyes were large and white, sunken into the face and without eyelids. They had very marked noses extending down to the lower lip of a sizeable mouth from which extended two "tusks."

From just below the knees to the neck and covering the arms to the wrists, the creatures wore very tight-fitting dark "coveralls." Only the hands and the rest of the legs and feet were uncovered. Hands and feet, of considerable dimension, were out of proportion to the rest of the body; they had very long fingers and toes with rather long nails.

At first, the two beings were side by side. But almost immediately the smaller one began to move continuously back and forth, from right to left, in very quick jerks without moving his long feet, as if he were sliding on an invisible surface. His motion caused a stir in the air and vegetation rustled as the tips of his ears touched the lower branches of nearby trees.

Trying to master his terror, which was literally "freezing his blood," he called for help at the top of his voice. He nonetheless found strength to ask them again and again who they were and what they wanted of him. But this was all useless; from the mouth of the shorter creature came only incomprehensible grumblings.

The taller "being," who had remained in one position about one meter away from Antonio, now

reached one of his long hands to take away his pruning knife. [This is a farm implement consisting of a hooked cutting blade (see Fig. 2) fixed to a solid handle; called a "cortelaso"]. The creature grabbed the knife by its dull side and there ensued a struggle, Antonio, realizing that the knife was his only instrument of defense in the event the two "visitors" proved truly hostile, held the handle firmly. The "being" tried harder, grasping the blade lower down (at this time Mr. D'Ambros thought he felt a light electric shock).

Now the being made a third attempt, using both hands this time, grasping the knife still further down by the non-cutting edge. The creature showed remarkable strength, but this was matched by Mr. D'Ambros, spurred by his despair when his cries for help were unanswered. This time he felt a very clear, stronger electric shock. Antonio's terror now changed to fury; grasping a large branch he had previously cut down, he aimed a blow at the intruders but before he could deliver it, they quickly took flight.

Recovering his calm, and moved by an irresistible curiosity about the origin of these two "unhuman beings" of similar features except for height, D'Ambros began to pursue them, running as fast as possible towards the mule-track on which they made their get-away. They had disappeared around a bend in the track but he followed them and saw them make for what was presumably the craft they had arrived in. It was the "traditional flying saucer," resting, in a clearing about 100 feet away, on four landing gears which appeared rather widely separated and had appreciable landing pods.

The summit of the discoidal craft was surmounted by a small dome. The UFO itself was of a bright red color in its upper part, including the dome, blue in its lower part, and the two parts were separated by a white median band. The four landing-gears were of an aluminum-grey color. In size it was

about 15 feet long and, minus the legs, and six or seven feet high.

The witness got there just in time to see one of the long hands reaching from the inside to close a kind of trap door, and that was the last he saw of the creatures. After a few seconds, the craft took off horizontally at a dizzying speed in absolute silence and disappeared from sight behind high fir trees.

Mr. D'Ambros returned home immediately, confided in no one, but brooded so much over the strange encounter that he passed up lunch. Finally, he decided to talk about the

"event" with his son-in-law, Luciano Munari, a school caretaker. The next day, they went to the clearing in question and found a nearly circular area about 12 feet in diameter in which the grass appeared to be black (as if it had been oiled, rather than burnt), pressed and whirled in a counter-clockwise direction. Their hands remained completely clean when they touched the grass. Mr. D'Ambros discovered two "U"-like traces about 20 centimeters long and three wide and deep. Mr. Munari attributed the fact that they were unable to find marks which

should have been left by the other two legs to the presence of some stones. Further confirmation that a landing took place, according to Mr. Munari, was the finding of some bushes at the site of the landing that had been uprooted, presumably associated with the take-off of the craft.

Mr. Munari had neglected to take his camera with him on that day. His intentions of going the next day were foiled by a snowfall. On Dec. 3, nine days later, they and some townspeople

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Angelo D'Ambros, left, shows Antonio Chiumiento the pruning knife one of the humanoids tried to take away from him during the encounter.



The encircled landing craft pod marks are similar to those of the Socorro, N.M. case on April 24, 1964.

The Marquette Pentagon

Kenneth C. Schellhase

Gallio (Vincenza) is in the northeast corner of Italy. The CE-III encounter occurred Nov. 24, 1978, at 11:45 a.m. in clear, sunny weather.

quarter past twelve [thus one-half hour later than the D'Ambros sighting] on that same day, on her way from the hospital where she is a pharmaceutical assistant, observed in the clear sky an object with the features of a big oval balloon, but without protruding points. It was moving slowly "at a half hill's height." The lower part was dark and had a metallic appearance while the upper part presented an intense orange, nearly red, color, similar to that of the rear reflector of a car. It also had a band of a lighter color which clearly divided the two differently colored bands. It seemed to the witness to be longer and higher than helicopters she had observed on other occasions. It moved without noise, continuously skirting the hills and continuing northward, into the valley of Santa Caterina of Lusiana. The observation lasted about five minutes.

[The full account by Mr. Chiumiento also contained very brief accounts, largely from newsclips, of reported UFO events in that general area of Italy during the period surrounding the Gallio event. These are of very limited value and have not been included here. The full report by Mr. Chiumiento, in both English and Italian, is available at the Center for UFO Studies. We are grateful to Mr. Chiumiento for this study, and the one to be presented in a forthcoming issue, but we regret only that there is no opportunity for personal corroboration of foreign UFO reports as there is, of course, in the case of domestic reported UFO events.] □

The Upper Peninsula of Michigan continues to be a hot area for UFO reports in the United States [Ed. note: It is often a question of whether a given area is "hot" or whether it is fortunate in having an active and well known ufologist in the area who is alert to such activity and to whom people turn just because he is well known in the area. There can be no doubt, however, that there has been significant UFO activity in the Upper Peninsula in the past two years or more.] Reports of sightings over the past six years have yielded thirty Close Encounters of the First Kind, two or three of the Second Kind, and one of the Third Kind, plus a dozen or so Daylight Discs and a great many Nocturnal Lights. I have investigated these reports, some accounts of which have appeared in this Journal over the past year or so although the majority remain unpublished.

Here is a recent example of a CE-I:

TYPE:	CE-I
DATE:	Jan. 27, 1983
TIME:	7:00 P.M. EST
DURATION:	5 minutes + 2 minutes + 1 minute
WITNESSES:	1 principal, 1 secondary

Mrs. Peggy Iery, a new mother in her mid-twenties and her husband, Steve, a student, live two miles north of Marquette, Mich., down a winding side road just off CR 550. Returning from the grocery store, a two mile drive from home (X-1), she suddenly saw what she first thought was an airplane coming directly at her on a crash landing course: a large central white light, two small flanking lights—the largest "like a beam of light but not shining down." (Drawing 1). But quickly surmising that it was coming no closer, and that there was no lateral movement either, and, especially, that there was no noise, it gradually but quickly dawned on her that they were extraordinary, perhaps a UFO (on the subject of which she is moderately informed).

The total spread of lights appeared as the size of a dime at 8 inches. They appeared over a rack of a dozen power lines (from a power plant 1½ miles away) and over a tree-covered bluff 2/3-mile away.

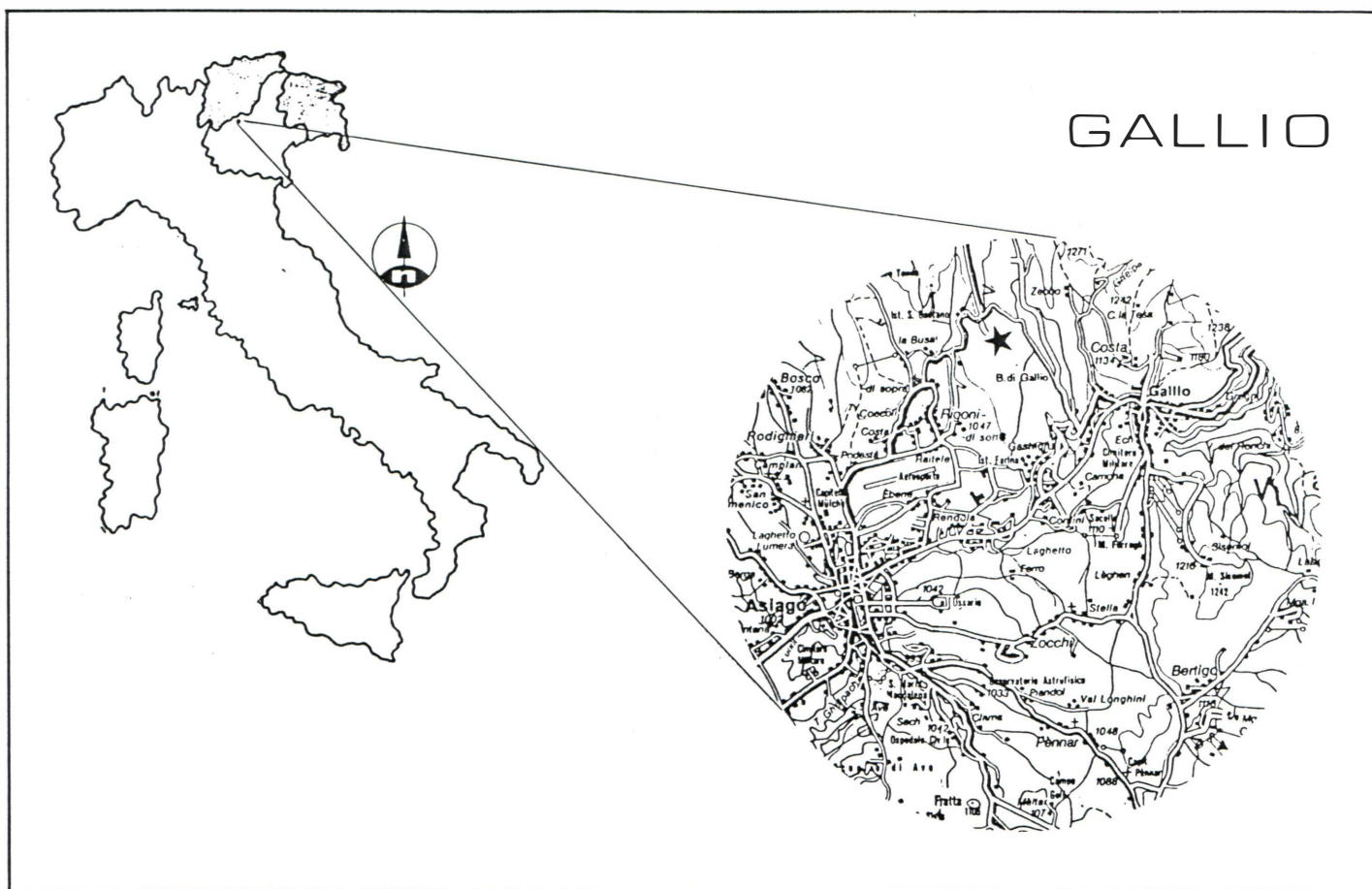
As she continued in the direction of the lights she then saw that they were indeed attached to an object, which now slowly rose and went to Peggy's left (east) over a small pond (O-1). Making the right turn the road dictated, she strained her head increasingly backward in an attempt to get a view from inside the driver's window. In the next tenth of a mile she gradually lost sight of the object. But suddenly it was directly over her car (X-3, O-3) and appeared so huge that it "blocked out the sky, like it was going to wrap right around the car and suck me up."

Described as being bigger than a boxcar or a house, it appeared to her as a perfect pentagon with a small white light at each of the corners; the bottom was silvery and flat. (Drawing 3).

She remembered all the UFO movies and "my mind went crazy." She stepped on the gas and drove the final tenth of a mile home crying, screaming, and cursing. She related how embarrassed she was to think later of all the bad language she discovered she had in her. Steve, who was just sitting down at exactly 7:00 p.m. to take a self-timed test, heard his wife driving up to the house screaming (the car is old and loud and the car windows were up yet he still heard her). Steve ran out the door as Peggy ran up to him shouting about the UFO. Steve tried to calm her down insisting it must have been an airplane.

But then Peggy and Steve both saw four lights (X-4, O-4), but not an object itself (still mainly white but Steve recalls some red and green also) with no hint as to any shape. (The four white lights of Drawing 4 compare indirectly with those of Drawing 1. The

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attempted to locate the markings by shoveling the snow away from the remembered spot. Black and white photos showed nothing, so they tried again the next day, this time with color film, encircling the marks with yellow paper. The photographs do show evidence of distinctive marks but they are far from conclusive and will not be reproduced here for that reason.

A golden opportunity to obtain a fingerprint of an alien was apparently lost when, discovering that a red print had been left on the pruning knife, the laboratory to which it was taken for analysis demanded a large sum of money to undertake what would have been a relatively simple matter. The knife was brought back to Gallio but no one thought to take a photograph of the print. [Ed note: Just another example for the need of a professional and international body to investigate

UFO sightings.] The pruning knife was put back to its mundane use and soon thereafter the print faded.

We first visited Gallio in the autumn of 1979 because we had no knowledge of the event until many months after it occurred. At that time we were told that the grass in the "landing area" was still black and that the grass had not grown there the following Spring. Opportunity to verify this was foiled by an early snowfall that autumn. Our second visit occurred in February, 1980, and others followed. During these repeated visits we had ample opportunity to acquaint ourselves with the characters and way of life of the members of the D'Ambros and Munari families, and we concluded that they are persons who enjoy a high reputation in the community but are very plain and very bound to their daily tasks. In particular, Mr. D'Ambros, who

attended school only to the fourth grade, appeared to us as a person not endowed by nature with the capabilities for flights of fancy. We came away with the opinion that there was virtually no chance of this case having a natural explanation and we have come to the conclusion that something physical and material happened to Mr. D'Ambros at that time and place. We point out that this case does not stand alone. The landing marks are very similar to those of the Socorro, N.M. case of April 24, 1964, in the United States, and the creatures bear a strong resemblance to those of the Kelly, Ky. case of Aug. 21, 1955.

Mr. Silvio Formilan, C.U.N. investigator in Schio (Vicenza) called our attention to the existence of a probable additional witness to the Gallio event. With his collaboration we were able to ascertain that Mrs. Maria Ksaus, at a



In "The Sixth Quark Journal", Number 3, 1983, Kenneth Behrendt wrote a thought provoking article entitled "An Analysis of Alien Behavior." This article is attached.

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AN ANALYSIS OF ALIEN BEHAVIOR

Kenneth W. Behrendt

Introduction

A previous article titled "UFO Propulsion Systems, Origins, and Purposes" (see issue No. 1 of The Sixth Quark Journal) dealt extensively with the physics of the UFO itself. It was shown that the remarkable velocities and maneuverabilities of these craft can only be understood if it is assumed that the extra-terrestrials have solved the problem of greatly reducing the masses of their vehicles to allow for the phenomenal accelerations and final velocities both observed and implied. However, in that article, the ultimate consequences of the presently intense levels of close encounter cases were not considered.

In this short article, the problem of rationalizing the actions and possible motives of the aliens controlling the majority of UFOs will be attempted. At the onset, the reader is cautioned to remember that the scenarios presented are purely the product of this writer's inductive reasoning combined with a certain amount of intuition. Many credible hypotheses exist in the field of ufology; this is only one which, to this writer, seems to have some merit.

Occurrence of Sightings and Alien Anatomy

From the tens of thousands of accumulated UFO sightings available for analysis, one interesting occurrence pattern presents itself: while UFOs of various configurations may be seen by almost any person in any part of the world at any time...the highest frequency of sightings occurs in the month of July at about twelve o'clock midnight.

Also it is interesting to note that most of the close encounters of the third kind and abduction cases involve creatures with large eyes, light colored skin, and small bodies (i.e., the so called "fetal" humanoid body type).

One might rationalize the time of night for a landing by assuming that these aliens evolved on planets whose stars have a lower level of light output as compared to ours. They would thus have evolved large, almost catlike eyes to deal with this problem. This, of course, explains why the landings would occur near midnight, since at this time earth's sky would be the darkest. Additionally, avoiding brightly lit urban areas could also help reduce any damage to the extraterrestrials' eyes as well as prevent too many people from observing their activities.

Pale skin pigmentation would also be consistent with a low light level on their planets of origin. This has a parallel in earthly biology as demonstrated

by the various white skinned creatures found living in our subterranean caves and pools.

The third element of structure, small body stature, may provide a clue to the time of year (i.e., July) for their landings. If we assume that such a creature is the product of a high gravity planet where the shorter an inhabitant is, the less injury it will sustain in an accidental fall, then we can further use our earth's own solar system as an example for the mass ordering of their planets and conclude that their planets of origin are, on the average, farther from their suns than our earth is from our sun. This will mean that they will also have evolved in an atmosphere with far lower background radiation levels than ours. By landing on earth at or near midnight, the aliens can interpose the entire earth between themselves and the strongest radiation source in our solar system...our sun. This is also consistent with the fact that the preponderance of landings are in July, because, contrary to popular belief, the earth is farthest from the sun in this month and this also decreases the background radiation levels aliens would be exposed to. (The reason it is so warm in the northern hemisphere in July is because the earth's north pole is tilted toward the sun and this more than compensates for the slight temperature drop due to the earth being a greater distance from the sun). Thus, it is seen that the activity of the extraterrestrials indicates a desire on their part to minimize their exposure to background radiation.

Radiation and Its Effects

Radiation occurs in two observable forms: particle and electromagnetic. The particle radiation consists of alpha and beta particles along with neutrons. These are components of atoms which can, upon the disintegration or rearrangement of atomic nuclei, carry off large quantities of kinetic energy. On the other hand, electromagnetic radiation consists of photons which have both wave and particle properties, but, in the higher frequencies that make up ultraviolet, x-rays, and gamma rays, also possess high energy.

The earth and its inhabitants are constantly exposed to these radiation forms due to the sun's activity and the results of man's artificial concentration of radioactive elements and compounds.

The danger posed by these radiations is that they can transfer their high energies to the various molecules which make up human cells. Then, as though struck by miniature rifle bullet (or cannonball in the case of an alpha particle!). the molecules are split and damaged so they can no longer perform the functions they used to in a particular cell...indeed, the molecules may be converted into

free radicals that are highly reactive and can interfere in the normal reactions of still other molecules. Although human cells possess limited self-repair capabilities, a certain amount of damage is uncorrected and tends to accumulate with repeated exposure to sources of radiation.

The effects of radiation poisoning are well known. In many cases the effects are similar to advanced aging in the organism. For example, most people will become moderately ill from a single whole body dose of radiation between about 250 and 400 roentgens which will make some people very sick, but they can recover within two weeks or so. At exposure levels in excess of 400 roentgens, most people will get very sick and die within a few days depending on their age and health at the time of exposure. Radiation exposure that is excessive can produce symptoms that range from a minimum of nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea all the way up to such distasteful ones as subcutaneous and internal hemorrhaging, high fever, convulsions, and, mercifully, death. For extraterrestrials that evolved in low radiation environments and have frailer constitutions than we humans, the maximum exposure level before symptoms of poisoning manifest themselves might only be 50 to 100 roentgens.

In light of the above, it might also be said that, in principle, an organism supplied with sufficient food and water and air should not age. It should continue to replenish its damaged and worn out parts indefinitely and thus live forever. Perhaps the problem in the smooth functioning of all organisms is due to the genetic radiation damage accumulated in the organism's life time coupled with any radiation induced genetic defects it inherited at birth. It just might be that low level and chronic radiation poisoning is the culprit that denies earthly organisms a chance at immortality.

As an example, consider the fact that marine animals tend to experience far longer natural life spans than equally sized terrestrial organisms. Marine animals also spend most of their time in a liquid water environment. Water, among its other amazing properties, is a near perfect insulator against radiation, both particle and electromagnetic. Because of this it can even be used in nuclear reactors where it helps contain much of the fuel core's radiations.

Water and the Alien Purpose

As stated in the previously mentioned article, the aliens' main purpose in engaging in interstellar and intergalactic travel is to carry out their own scientific projects and find fresh worlds to colonize. To accomplish this they must leave the outer third band of our galaxy that they now occupy, pass through the middle third band with its sentient inhabitants in various states

of technological development, and find the fresh new worlds of the inner third band of our galaxy. In the process these creatures are probably establishing cooperative bases in space which allow them to rest their minds and bodies in an environment other than that of their vehicles, purchase needed supplies, perform necessary repairs, and exchange information on the best portions of the inner third band of our galaxy to search for unpopulated planets.

I believe that our solar system is host to one of these space bases which at one time was located on earth. It would probably have been located under water in some remote region of our oceans. This location would provide cover from man's prying eyes and take advantage of the radiation shielding provided by liquid water.

The aliens having evolved on a low radiation world and soon discovering the radical changes brought on by minimizing any exposure to background radiation and helping nature's self-repair mechanisms with drugs, have grown accustomed to the benefits of an unlimited life span. To maintain their artificial immortality, we can be certain that they will do almost anything to avoid radiation exposure.

Because of this, earth, as far as its land surfaces are concerned, was never in any danger of alien invasion...the background radiation levels are just too high. At best, the extraterrestrials could maintain a small population at the bottom of the oceans.

Eut, due to man's careless pollution, even earthly oceanic UFO bases are no longer acceptable for alien occupation. In this century alone, man has concentrated hundreds of tons of radioactive substances and detonated many theromonuclear devices far out at sea. The result is an increase of radioactive pollution even at the bottom of our deepest oceans.

Assuming that our visiting extraterrestrials possessed a morality which would allow them to destroy the human race in an effort to win earth, they realize that the first sign of aggression on their part would probably result in the release of enormous quantities of radiation as our nuclear missiles left their silos in search of any suspected UFO bases.

So, the aliens have made the only logical move left to them. They have evacuated their major base of operations on earth and moved it to a more remote corner of our solar system. Some of the moons of our outer "gas giants" (i.e., Jupiter, Saturn, and Uranus) would provide the necessary distance from our sun to keep the radiation they absorb as low as possible. Metals from asteroids and water from interplanetary ice would provide the bulk of their needs. Using the electricity provided by solar power, the space ice could be melted

and have the oxygen extracted from it via electrolysis and in this way they would be completely independent of earth's resources.

Reasons for Close Encounters

If our extraterrestrial visitors are not interested in colonizing a radiation contaminated earth and, indeed, are now independent of it, then why are they apparently studying the earth, its inhabitants, and their technology in such detail? Their efforts seem to go far beyond the cursory surveying needed to make an entry in a record of planets visited; yet, as previously shown, these efforts can not be part of an invasion plan. Also, they must realize that on many occasions both their craft and crews are observed by panic-stricken earthlings who have spread the tales of their observations until all of humanity is aware of the extraterrestrial presence in our solar system. Why then, don't they simply announce themselves and their purposes and then go about their business?

The solution to the above dilemma requires an assumption which by its very nature is unpleasant to contemplate, but which is nevertheless crucial to any rationalization of alien behavior. During the time our earth was being used as a sort of "space oasis", aliens became aware of some impending disaster which will result in the destruction of most of the inhabitants of our planet. This knowledge, naturally, provided them with even more incentive for abandoning their oceanic earth base.

The exact nature of this destruction is difficult to analyze. It could be something man-made such as nuclear war, pollution to toxic levels of the atmosphere, destruction of the ozone layer, etc. or natural due to the recent increased solar or earthly seismic activity. Whatever its ultimate nature may be, if it was enough to help turn our alien visitors from earth with their advanced technology, then it must spell virtual annihilation for the human race.

Because of the high morality that has kept them from destroying themselves through their technology, the aliens feel compelled to announce themselves to us, but realize that they would then be obliged to report on our upcoming destruction. This would create more panic than an alien invasion, especially since they do not have the capability of evacuating and feeding four billion earthlings...so, they remain silent as our end approaches, but they continue to study earth culture at a level of intensity that far exceeds any interest they may have in a dying planet.

It is this writer's opinion that the extraterrestrials do intend to rescue the few thousand survivors of the coming holocaust and, in order to give

them the best chances of survival, are now learning as much as possible about human biology and psychology through the so-called close encounters now being reported. Also every facet of our technology is being analyzed and recorded so that when the survivors are transplanted to a new earthlike planet, they will be able to maintain as much of their old culture as possible. For this purpose, they will need cars, planes, ships, roads, farms, villages and cities much as they enjoyed in their former lives on earth. These things or the means to obtain them will initially be provided by the extraterrestrial rescuers.

The Rescue of Earth Survivors

After the earth is devastated, only a small group of people will survive. The aliens realize that this group will be composed of individuals who will have the highest combined levels of physical stamina and intellectual ability our race has to offer, for only these characteristics will allow a person to be a survivor of the global holocaustic natural selection process that will take place. But as the remaining food supplies dwindle, even this group will perish if not for a rescue by extraterrestrials.

The aliens who arrive for the rescue will probably be chosen for as close an appearance to humans as possible to create the least panic in the survivors. The humans will then be taken to prepared bases on one of the moons of one of our outer planets. Here, in a safe protected environment, they will grow accustomed to the appearance of the aliens and eventually be able to tolerate prolonged close contact with even the most nonhumanoid of aliens.

Eventually, the remnants of the human race will learn of the great pioneering effort of the extraterrestrials and will be invited to join in it using vehicles provided by the aliens. A new planet very similar to earth will be found in the inner third of our galaxy and be readied for regrowth of the human race. The aliens will provide the necessary technological implements to allow for a comfortable lifestyle. Thus, duplicates of the cars, planes, ships, roads, farms, villages, and cities that were recorded on earth will be provided along with the means to continue the technological growth necessary to a thriving culture.

One likes to think that the above would be a transitional phase for humanity and that eventually we would be given a large portion of alien technology, including the amazing UFOs, to improve our lives.

How the Aliens Will Benefit

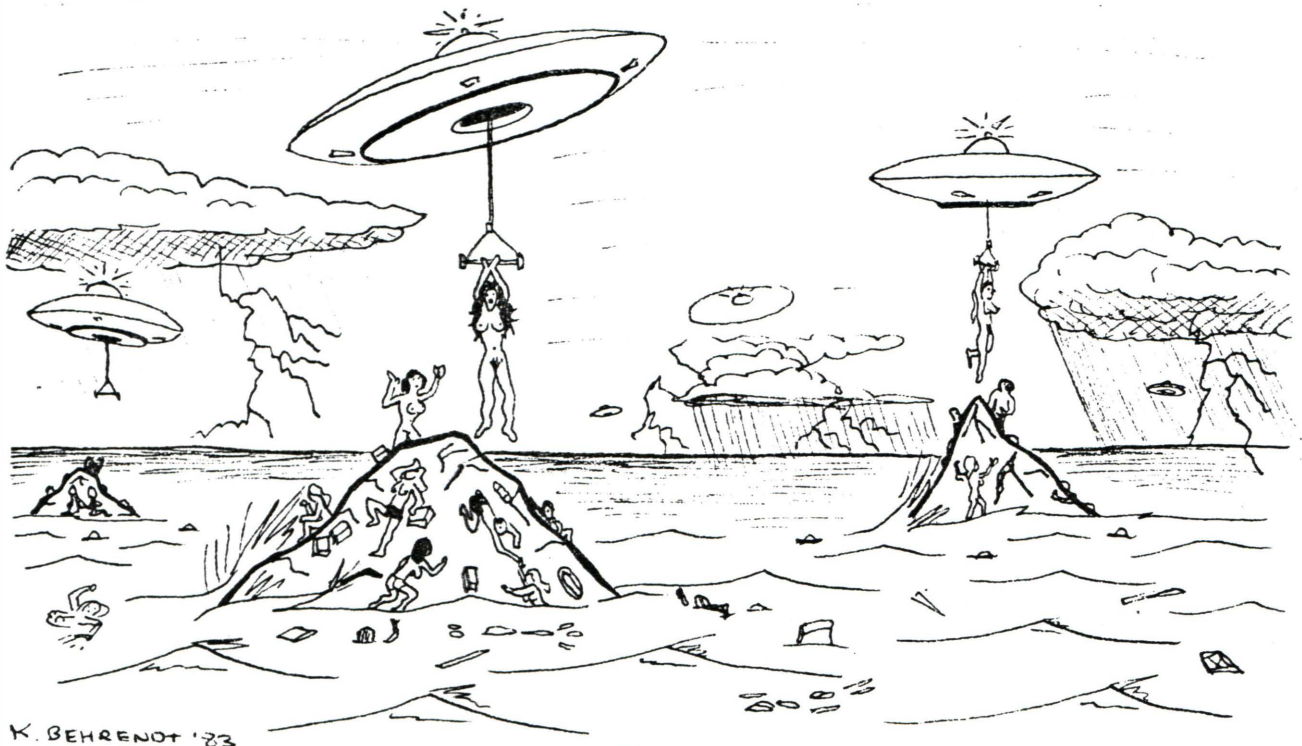
The reader may notice at this point that the above arrangement seems a little one-sided; so much so, that some might conclude that in spite of an

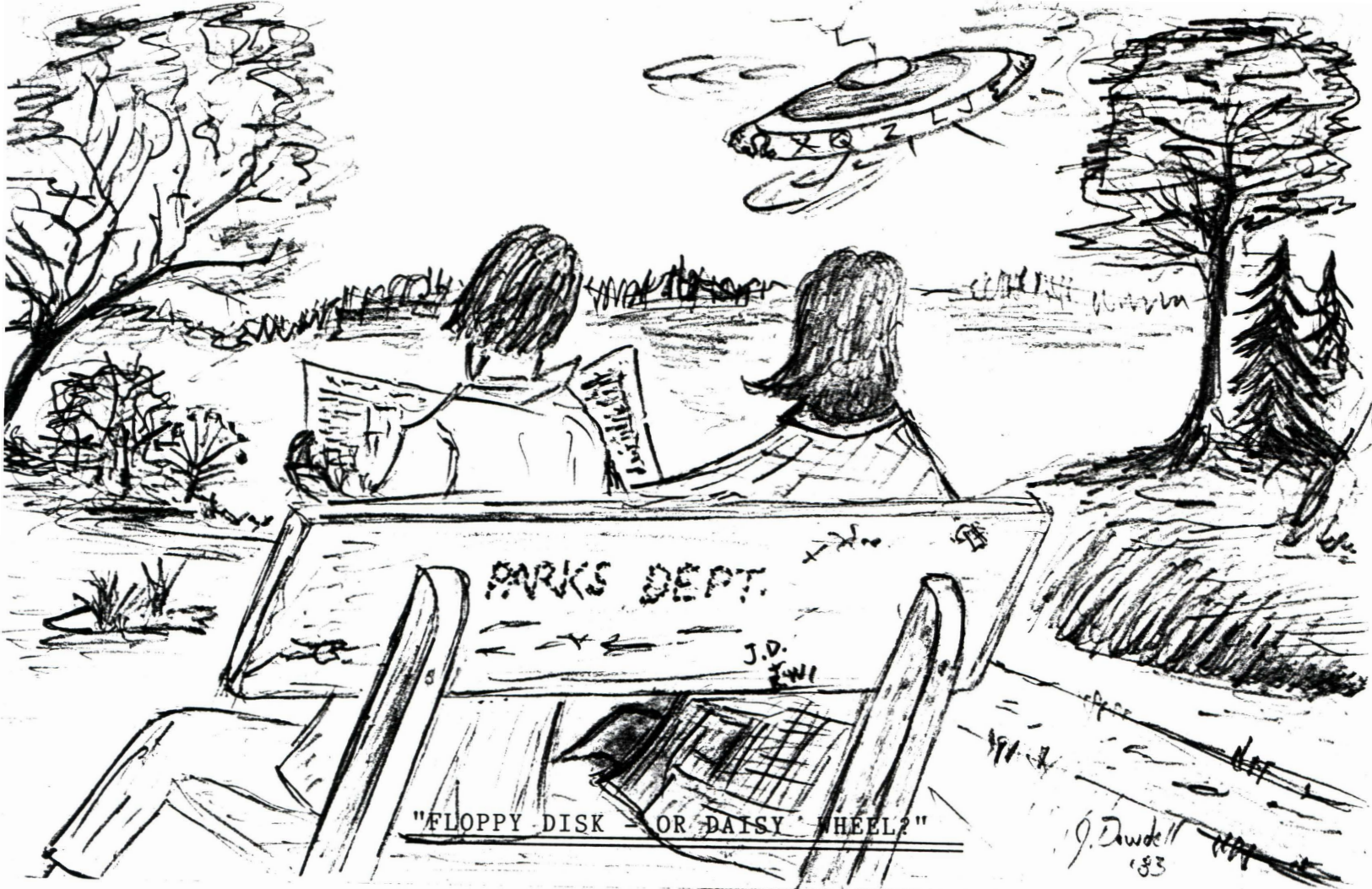
advanced morality, the aliens might choose not to expend the effort to save such a small group as the survivors of earth's disaster. But there is one very good incentive for rescuing humanity.

As the extraterrestrials travel inward to colonize the core of our galaxy, they will encounter constantly rising radiation levels. It was previously shown that the secret of alien immortality may involve minimizing exposure to any form of radiation as much as possible. What better way to reduce one's risk then by allowing grateful humans to do the bulk of the exploration. Humans, after all, evolved in a comparatively high radiation environment. Before choosing a planet to colonize, the aliens may allow their human exploration teams to land and establish small trial communities and then give them periodic physical exams to see if the environment posed a biological hazard to them. The humans will probably also be allowed to try the latest alien anti-radiation damage drugs and this would give humanity an ever increasing lifespan that would slowly tend toward the galactic norm of immortality.

Conclusion

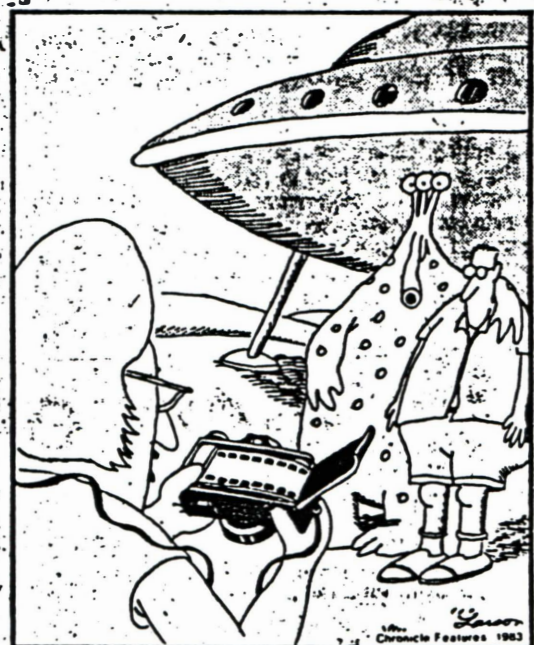
The tragedy that may befall the earth will have some fortunate aspects. The human race will survive and flourish. Technological and moral advancement to a level comparable with the extraterrestrials now being observed will occur in a matter of generations. Those that survive the coming holocaust on earth need never fear death again and can look forward to a future of adventure and discovery...





THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



"Yes, yes, already, Warren! . . . There IS film in the camera!"

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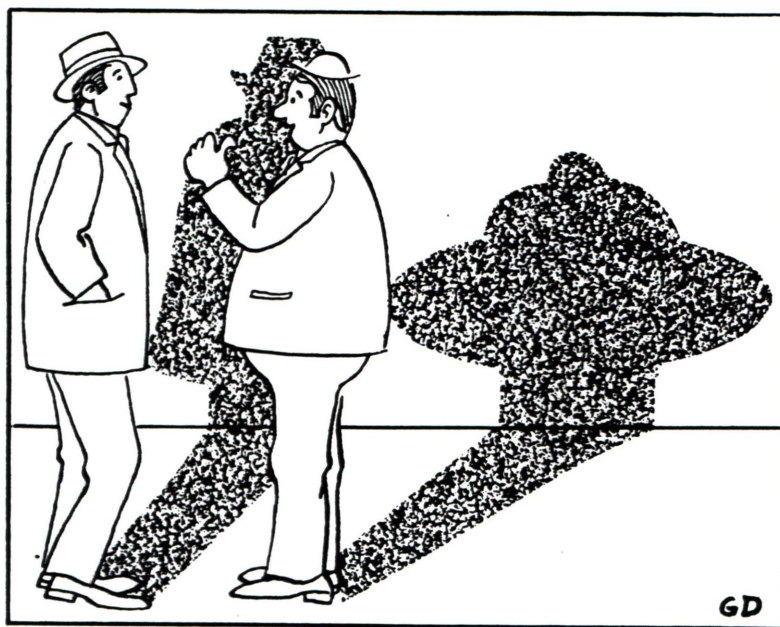
By GARY LARSON



"And, if you squint your eyes just right, you can see the zork in the earth."



The following interesting article on "Search for ET's" appeared in the publication "Scientific Bureau of Investigation", P.O. Box 193, Staten Island, N.Y., 10312, editor Pete Mazzola.



"You're right, I am a UFOlogist, but how did you know?"

USSR Search For ET's

by Philip Milazzo

The Russians hope to be the first nation to discover that there is life from outer-space by recording radio signals. Since the Russians have the largest radio telescope in the world (1,968 feet in diameter) they certainly have a better chance of discovering other life forms in outer space. The second largest radio telescope is found in Arecibo, Puerto Rico (1,000 feet in diameter). The USA, at present, has twenty-eight 82 feet in diameter radio telescope dishes located in San Augustin, New Mexico. These telescopes are searching for radio signals from outer space. Naturally, many other countries, especially in Europe, have their own radio telescopes that are surely searching for the same signals of other life in the universe.

The top Soviet scientist's are: Prof. Usevolod Troitsky, head of Radio Astronomy Observatory at Gorky; Prof. Viktor Ambartsumyan, head of the Byurakan Observatory in Soviet Armenia; Prof. Iosif Shklovsky, head of the Department of Radio Astronomy at Moscow University; and Prof. Nikolai Kardashev, member of the Space Institute at Moscow University.

In the Byurakan Observatory, which is 4,600 feet above sea level on the Turkish Armenian border, the people are known as "The World's Lookout." As many Armenian Astronomers state, "Both light and radio waves, whose speed is terribly slow, apply to the distances beyond our own solar system." There are 100 billion known stars or suns and as many as 10,000 Earth's within a distance of 1000 light years; the nucleus of the galaxy being only 40,000 light years away and this may mean that civilizations may be millions or billions of years older than Earth.

The Soviet scientists are manning posts all over their country to probe the universe. They probe for signals, expecting them to be short impulses, sent out far apart at exact intervals. Some are sent once a month and some are sent once a year. They are short impulses because of the vast amount of energy needed to pick them up at distances many light years away. One problem is the time units! Does one year to us mean one year to another civilization?

The Russians expect the signal to be in the form of a television transmission since it is easier to decode. Furthermore, the Soviet scientists believe that our Sun will eventually die out, as American scientists believe, and then Earth would be an uninhabitable planet. Rather than Earth being faced as a doomed planet someday the Russians plan to construct a giant space station. The space station will be unmanned and search for a similar planet as Earth. Of course, the USA has the same idea.

It is believed by both Russia and the USA scientists that other advanced civilizations on other planets will have mastered all forms of communication. Perhaps, telepathy would be an ideal method of transmitting messages to and from outer space? U.S. astronaut Edgar Mitchell was the first to explore this possibility and experimented with telepathy transmissions while in the Moon's orbit. Needless to say, the Russians followed the American lead and also experimented with telepathy in space.

The Gorky Observatory is now monitoring stars within 100 light years radius from planet Earth. All monitoring is tuned to a space frequency of 21 centimeters. There are two reasons why: (1) frequency of hydrogen radiation, hydrogen being the element most common throughout the universe; (2) on this frequency there are fewer static noises originating from the universe or from matter within the Earth's atmosphere and ionosphere. However, even with all this advanced technology Russia lacks computers. Although they have American-type computers to analyze their results they lag in the race to search for extraterrestrial life in outer space.

TOP SECRET

AIR FORCE REVEALS: UFOs HAVE LANDED!

We recovered bodies of 9 aliens, say government documents

UFO COVER-UP IS OVER...

The Air Force has revealed that the bodies of nine space aliens were recovered from the wreckage of three flying saucers that crashed in New Mexico — more than 20 years ago!

The shocking disclosure of a widespread government cover-up came to light with the recent declassification of top-secret reports on UFO activity in America.

The documents especially those dealing with the three downed spaceships — pose damning evidence that the FBI, CIA, National Security Agency, as well as the Air Force, went to great pains to keep the truth about UFO activity from the American people!

The documents are among those obtained by the persistent pro-UFO line of the highly respected Fund for UFO Research in Mount Rainier, Md.

They detail a number of unusual events in the Southwest, but one of the most astonishing is the one revealed in a 1950 FBI document.

It declares that Air Force investigators assigned to the "Project Blue Book" UFO probe reported that three so-called flying saucers had been recovered in New Mexico. The

Once top-secret documents reveal space aliens have landed in America!

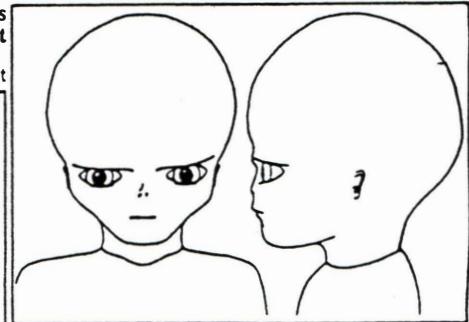
spaceships were circular in shape, 500 feet in diameter and with raised centers — the exact configuration described in many of the hundreds of UFO reports received by private investigation agencies each year.

"Each was occupied by three bodies of human shape but

only three feet tall, dressed in metallic cloth of a very fine texture," the document said.

"Each body was bandaged in a manner similar to the black-out suits worn by speed fliers and test pilots."

And the documents speculate that the saucer-shaped spacecraft had crashed be-



The bodies of nine space creatures, similar to this artist's conception, were found in the crash of three UFOs, reports say.

cause of high-powered government radar that probably interfered with the "controlling mechanism of the saucers."

Officially, the Air Force closed the cover on Project Blue Book in 1969, after investigating 12,618 reported UFO sightings dating back to 1947.

Air Force spokesman Lt. George Jamieson needed that 701 sightings were not — or could not be — explained.

But a top secret National Security Agency report written in 1968 tells a different story.

The fact that UFO phenomena have been witnessed all over the world... by civilian

able numbers of reputable scientists has indicated rather strongly that UFOs are not all hoaxes."

The report also carried a grim warning that disregarding a possible UFO threat could prove dangerous to the security of life on Planet Earth.

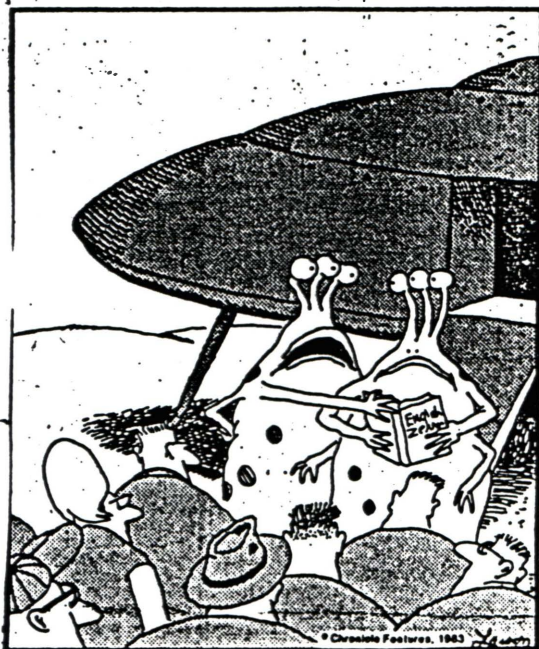
IC UFOs, contrary to all indications and expectations, are... Indeed, hoaxes — hoaxes of worldwide dimensions — hoaxes of increasing frequency, then a human mental aberration of alarming proportions would appear to be developing.



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THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



"Take me to your stove? ... You idiot! Give me that book!"

ZIGGY



HOW A UFO DESTROYED AN AMERICAN ROCKET. FORMER U.S. AIR FORCE OFFICER'S REVELATION: "THE TRUTH IS TOO IMPORTANT TO HIDE ANY LONGER. UFO SPIED ON A SPACE MISSILE SHOT AND I FILMED IT."

Dr. Robert Jacobs

We are grateful to Richard W. Helden of Milwaukee, Assistant Editor of the *APRO Bulletin*, for sending us the text of this very interesting report which appeared in the *National Enquirer* (USA) for October 12, 1982, and two months later, on December 9, in the *Advance-Titan*, student newspaper of the University of Wisconsin. The man who reveals the story is Dr. Robert Jacobs, Ph.D., now Assistant Professor of Radio-Film-TV in that University. He gives full details of something on which he has kept silent for seventeen years — an episode when, serving as an U.S. Air Force officer in charge of the filming of missile tests off the Californian coast in 1965, he unwittingly filmed the appearance of a UFO on the scene and its destruction of the American missile. The affair was completely hushed up by the U.S. Government and the U.S. Air Force. The text has been edited by us, but all essential passages remain as in the original articles. — EDITOR

"I WAS instructed by the U.S. Air Force to keep quiet about this incredible UFO sighting which was filmed by official cameras under my control at the time.

"An Air Force major and two mystery men from Washington, D.C., forbade me ever to mention the astonishing filming of an actual *close encounter* in Outer Space between one of our *Atlas* missiles and a UFO.

"I have kept quiet about it for seventeen years. But I am going to reveal it now, because I feel that our public has the right to know what is going on.

"At the time of the mind-boggling business, which

we watched the *Atlas F* in flight we were delighted with our camera, which was doing fine, in fact we were jumping around with excitement, with the result that, because we were doing this, we actually missed seeing the most important bit of all — our missile's *close encounter*, at an altitude of 60 miles, with a UFO!"

Summoned by superior

"I only heard about it, in fact, a couple of days later, when I was ordered to go and see my superior, Major Florenz J. Mannsman, Chief Science Officer of the Unit. With him there in his office there were a couple of men in plain clothes. He introduced them to me only by their first names and said they had come from Washington, D.C.

"Then Major Mannsman had the film of the test run through. And, just at that point where my men and I had been busy congratulating ourselves and each other, Major Mannsman pointed to the screen and said: '*Watch this bit closely.*'

"Suddenly we saw a UFO swim into the picture. It was very distinct and clear, a round object. It flew right up to our missile and emitted a vivid flash of light.

"Then it altered course, and hovered briefly over our missile . . . and then there came a second vivid flash of light. Then the UFO flew around the missile twice and set off two more flashes from different angles, and then it vanished.

"A few seconds later, our missile was malfunctioning and tumbling out of control into the Pacific Ocean, hundreds of miles short of its scheduled target.

was on January 8, 1965, I was serving as First Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force and was in charge of the photo-optical instrumentation side at Vandenberg Air Force Base, California.

"In order to have clear film records of all missile test firings over the Pacific, we had installed a TV camera, affixed to a high-powered telescope up on a mountain. We kept the telescope locked on to the moving missile by radar, and it was while we were tracking one of the *Atlas F* Missiles in this way that we registered the UFO on our film.

"We had a crew of 120 men, and I was in charge. As

"They switched on the office lights again, and I found myself confronted by three very intense faces. Speaking very quietly, Major Mannsman then said: '*Lieutenant, just what the hell WAS that?*'

"I replied that I had no idea. Then we ran the film through several more times, and I was permitted to examine it with a magnifying glass. Then Mannsman again asked me what I thought, and I answered that in my opinion it was a UFO.

"Major Mannsman smiled and said: '*You are to say nothing about this footage. As far as you and I are concerned, it never happened! Right?*'

"My mouth fell open when I heard that. Here then was the confirmation of what the UFO experts had been saying for years past — that the U.S. Government was covering up on what it knew about UFOs.

Film taken by the men from Washington

"The film was turned over to the two men in plain clothes from Washington, who I believe were CIA agents. The film hasn't been heard of since.

"Major Mannsman added: '*I don't have to remind you, of course, of the seriousness of a Security breach.*'

"As I say, it's been 17 years since that incident, and I've told nobody about it until now. I have been afraid of what might happen to me. But the truth is too important for it to be concealed any longer. *The UFOs are real. I know they're real. The Air Force knows they're real. And the U.S. Government knows they're real.*

"*I reckon it's high time that the American public knows it too.*"

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'E.T.' restaurant to open

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — If "E.T." ever visits Charlotte, he'll have a place to eat — a dome-shaped "space station" restaurant being opened in May by Carolina Space Stations Inc.

The menu will offer "constellation chicken" and "cosmic kabobs" cooked in a computerized broiler called a "Robot Chef."

"The space theme will attract children and adults the first time, but we think our food will be good enough to keep them coming back," said Madalaine Z. Miller, secretary-treasurer of the company. "We won't be a fast-food restaurant. We will be serving quick, gourmet food."

Ean clare (w1) Leader-Telegram
11 March 1983

August 22, 1983

Dear Jim:


I have compiled the preliminary results of the opinion poll I conducted during the July 1-3 Pasadena MUFON conference. A lot of people there took a lot of time to carefully fill out the two-page questionnaire. First I want to thank them and express my appreciation for their cooperation, and the cooperation of other MUFON officers who may have wondered at the hidden purposes of the idea.

These results must be judged tentative and hardly 'scientific' in their general applicability. One main lesson: MUFON members support this kind of thing and will enjoy seeing the results. Ufology will be helped by better such polls in the future.

The most astounding discovery was that MUFON members rated Phil Klass a more reliable UFO authority than Todd Zechel. I had provided a long list of UFO personalities and asked everyone to rate from 0 to 9 the accuracy of the works of the people in question. Naturally, people such as Hynek, Maccabee, Friedman and other luminaries were at the top of the list, while Berlitz, Jerry Clark, and Brad Steiger fell farther down. The skeptics were rated in an interesting fashion, with Sheaffer and myself rated "middling accurate", Condon and Menzel less so, and Phil at the bottom. BUT Phil rated higher than some pro-UFO folks, Zechel included. In fact, Phil was rated considerably more accurate than Tom Beckley. Alas, Tim did not take cellar position, which went to Frank Stranges. The point to make is that skeptics are seen as individuals, however fair or unfair the evaluations were, and that skeptics score no points when shooting at pro-UFO individuals who are considered unreliable by the other pro-UFO ufologists.

Ditto with UFO cases. I asked that twenty two random cases be evaluated. The top ratings went to Iran, Kaikoura, Wash DC Nat'l Airport, Socorro, Coyne, Betty Hill's original story, and Cash-Landrum -- certainly no surprises here. Less reliable cases were Pascagoula (Most believed in it, but with substantial doubts), Roswell (ditto), Ken Arnold (ditto), Walton (ditto), Andreasson (only half voted it a likely ufological event but even they had substantial doubts), Jimmy Carter's UFO (an even third thought it a true UFO, a third thought it 50:50 a UFO:IFO, another third judged it 'solved'), and the Apollo-11 and Gemini-4 (McDivitt) space UFO photos (bare majorities expressed confidence that the astronauts had encountered 'true UFOs'). The MUFON members rejected many other cases: Betty Hill's later stories (nobody thought any of them likely to have been 'true UFOs'), the Pleides case (only one person thought it anything but a hoax), the Tunguska blast of 1908 (about a quarter thought it likely to have been a true ufological event but many more thought there was still some chance it was), the Alexander Hamilton calf-napping and the Aurora, Texas crash and dead alien (a quarter of those polled were confident that both were real UFO cases; the rest were equally confident they were hoaxes), and the USSR "jellyfish UFO" over Petrozavodsk in 1977 (nobody considered it a true UFO). Such discrimination is evidence of considerable maturity of judgment on the part of members, in my opinion. It also will force the skeptics to concentrate on "best cases", which to some extent of course we have been.

There were thirty 'statements' soliciting agreement/disagreement of varying force. Members strongly disagreed that public interest in UFOs has waned. They strongly agree that the US government has vital UFO secrets and that 'physical remains of alien space vehicles' are sequestered somewhere on Earth. They strongly agree that the UFO movement has been too tolerant of crackpots, and also that hypnotic regression has been very valuable in uncovering UFO testimony, and that "the general public gets most of its UFO information from the tabloids, Hollywood, and similar unreliable sources." The vast majority agree that Uri Geller can perform genuine paranormal feats. Most photos of structured objects are fakes, but repeaters can still be reliable witnesses -- majority agrees. An interesting mix of belief and disbelief, but a worthwhile effort all the same. I hope other people carry this activity further with in-depth surveys.



Expert discovers the secret of UFO flight

A BRILLIANT young scientist says he has discovered the secret of UFO flight, and it could provide an unlimited new source of cheap energy for peace — or deadly new weapons.

"UFOs are physical craft, with physical crews, coming from our universe," says Kenneth W. Behrendt, who makes his claims despite being only 32.

"And they are able to operate the way they do because they have developed an anti-mass field generator."

This device serves as the heart of the UFO propulsion system.

It is used to reduce the mass and weight of the spaceship and its occupants by at least 99 percent.

When in operation, the entire craft becomes as buoyant as a balloon.

This incredible reduction of mass also makes it possible for the craft to travel at hundreds — perhaps thousands — of times the speed of light.

Necessary

These speeds are necessary for travel between the Earth and the nearest stars millions of miles away.

"UFOs have been observed making sharp right angle turns while traveling thousands of miles an hour — but they can only do that if crew and vehicle have no mass," Behrendt explained.

"Otherwise they would be pressed into jelly by the tremendous force.

"But this doesn't happen in a UFO, because the reduction in the force field neutralizes the problem."

A resident of Elizabeth, New Jersey, and a man who has a Master's Degree in chemistry, Behrendt is author of *The First Book of Theoretical UFology* — which is currently in production at Cadake Industries, Winter Haven, Florida.

And he and a group of colleagues are experimenting with the creation of their own AMF generator. They may be ahead of the world's most respected and scientists.



• BEHRENDT: Mystery solved

"Once we have the AMF generator we can start producing our own UFOs," Behrendt said.

"It's more complicated than merely taking a disc-shaped fuselage and slapping jet engines on it.

"The governments of the world are in a race to see who can duplicate UFO propulsion.

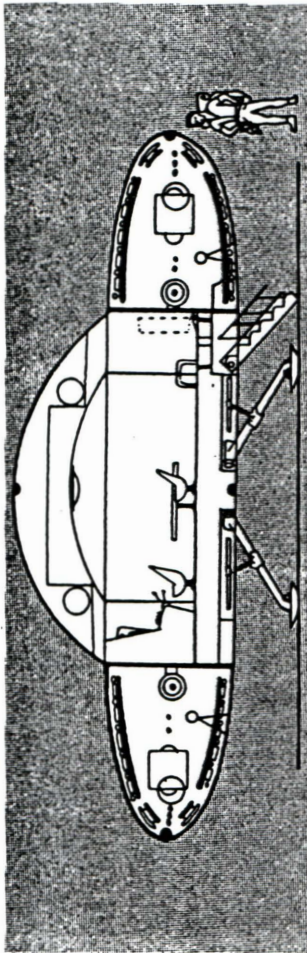
"The first one to get it will render the computer-operated defense systems used by other nations obsolete."

Missiles travel along an arched path, and modern computers are geared to repel machinery designed to travel along such a trajectory, he explained.

But by using an anti-mass field for propulsion, missiles would be able to travel in straight lines.

This means that the computer-operated tracking systems would ignore them as they traveled unmolested toward their targets.

— CLIFF LINEDECKER



• AN ANTI-MASS generator allows UFOs to travel thousands of miles an hour

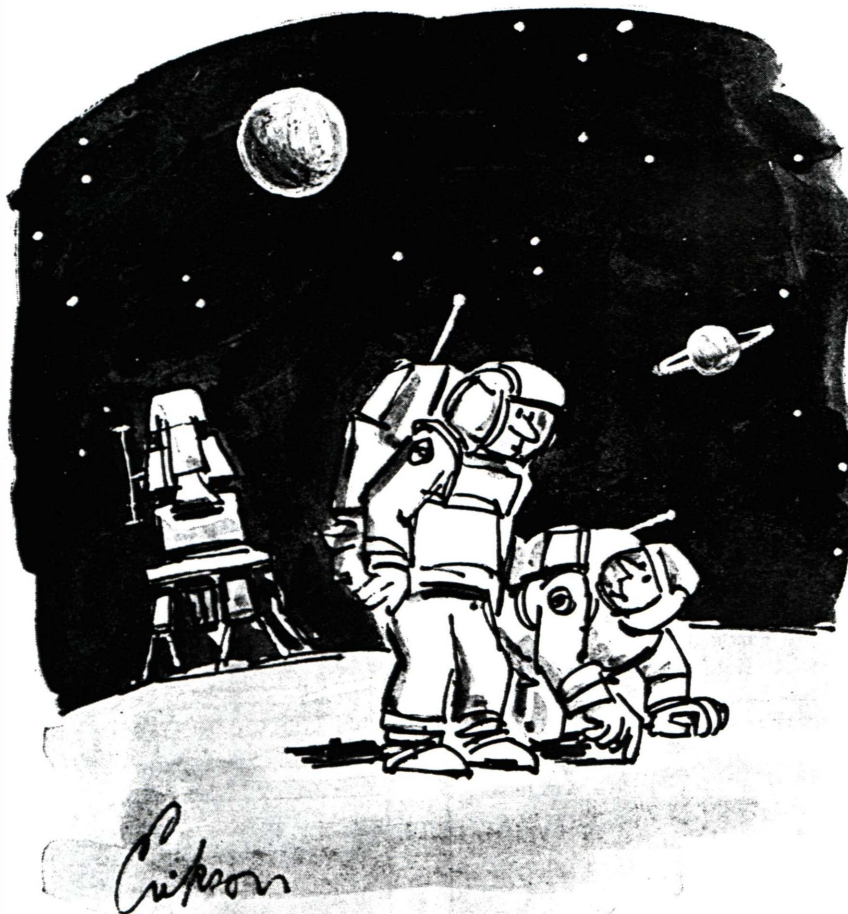
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An article appeared in the International UFO Reporter, September/October, 1983, Volume 8, No. 5, concerning a government coverup on a close encounter case. The article certainly speaks for itself.

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Cripeon

"Astroturf!"

Close Encounter at 25,000 Feet: Government Coverup

by Paul C. Cerny

[Ed. note: There are today so many straws in the wind concerning alleged government coverup of genuine UFO cases that, taken together, they would make quite a haystack. Yet, no definitive proof has been forthcoming, proof that would withstand a severe Congressional investigation, for example. The following story, released by the widow of one of the principal witnesses after an enforced silence of many years, would, if true (and Mr. Cerny holds it is true, based on his private interviews with the narrator), constitute such proof. We present it here for the record through the kindness of Mr. Cerny. In 1954, the date of this event, I was quite active with Project Blue Book and I do not recollect ever seeing this report in Dayton. If it had come into Blue Book, it would have stood out like the proverbial sore thumb and it certainly would not have escaped my attention. So here may be additional evidence of Government coverup.]

TYPE: CE-I
DATE: Sept. 3, 1954
TIME: 4:30 P.M.
DURATION: Over one hour
WITNESSES: Crews of three
B-47 bombers
PLACE: 25,000 feet over
Texas vicinity of Dallas

During a radio call-in talk show, in which MUFON astronomy consultant Tom Gates and I participated, we were rewarded with an unusual and highly significant story from the widow of a former Air Force major, a pilot and navigator on B-47 and B-52 jet bombers.

She stated that after many years of remaining silent as requested, she felt that the public had the right to know about her deceased husband's, and his companion's, exceptional UFO encounter.

I arranged for several personal interviews which revealed an astounding story of high altitude, extremely close UFO encounter. Her detailed recall of the events of many years ago, as told to her by her husband shortly after the event, was impressive, as was her obvious intelligence. I almost felt that I was listening to her husband retelling the story himself.

Her husband at the time was Maj. Robert J. Waste (she has since remarried) #73028, classified as a 1037, basically a navigator of a specialized elite crew. He was a Wing Officer with the Strategic Air Command (SAC). He lost his life in the crash of a B-52 bomber on Memorial Day, 1955, which also cost the lives of the entire crew. The UFO encounter had occurred eight months earlier.

On Sept. 3, 1954, Major Waste had gone out with his squadron on routine bombing exercises. They were competing for accuracy by dropping "bombs" of sacks of flour. Each B-47 carried a crew of three - a pilot, co-pilot, and navigator-bombardier. Major Waste was acting in the latter capacity, riding in the nose portion of the aircraft.

They had been over various mid-western States and were now returning

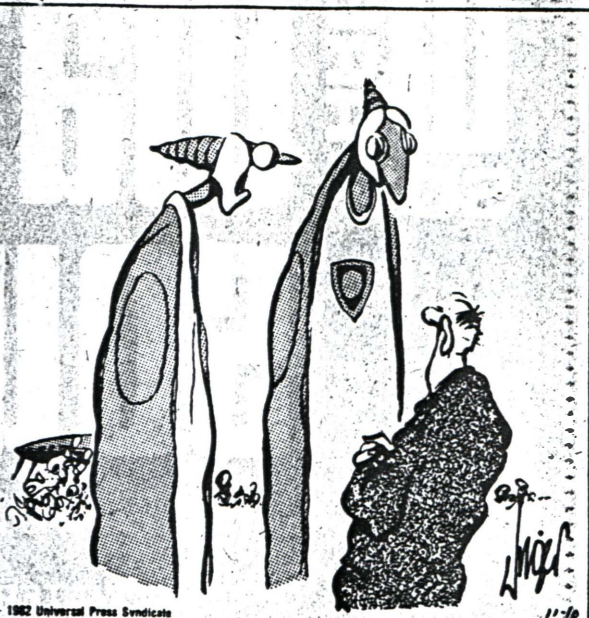
home to Barksdale A.F.B., Shreveport, La. At about 4:30 P.M., on this relatively clear day, they were in the general area of Dallas, Tex., when they received a radio communication from Carswell A.F.B., near Fort Worth, asking them to investigate and be on the lookout in their immediate vicinity for reported UFOs. They were cruising at 25,000 feet.

They were suddenly startled to discover a strange craft pacing their plane only 100 feet overhead. The alien machine was a beautifully stream-lined, missile-shaped device slightly larger and longer than their own B-47 fuselage. It was dull metallic in color and had two rows of oval-shaped port holes along each of its sides, about a third of the way up from the bottom. An orange exhaust flame emanated from the rear of the aerial intruder, as well as from what appeared to be smaller control exhaust ports slightly ahead of the main thrust unit. The bottom of the craft seemed to be lighted or glowing. This description of the appearance and performance of the craft resembles that of the famous Chiles-Whitted DC-3 airliner case of July 23, 1948, near Montgomery, Ala.

The immediate concern of the crew was the frightening possibility of a mid-air collision. After pacing the B-47 overhead for a short time, it suddenly shot ahead and then zoomed almost straight up at incredible speed, disappearing momentarily from view. As per their radio instructions, they tried to climb after it at full throttle, but almost stalled the B-47 in the attempt. Nothing we had would come anywhere near the its performance capabilities.

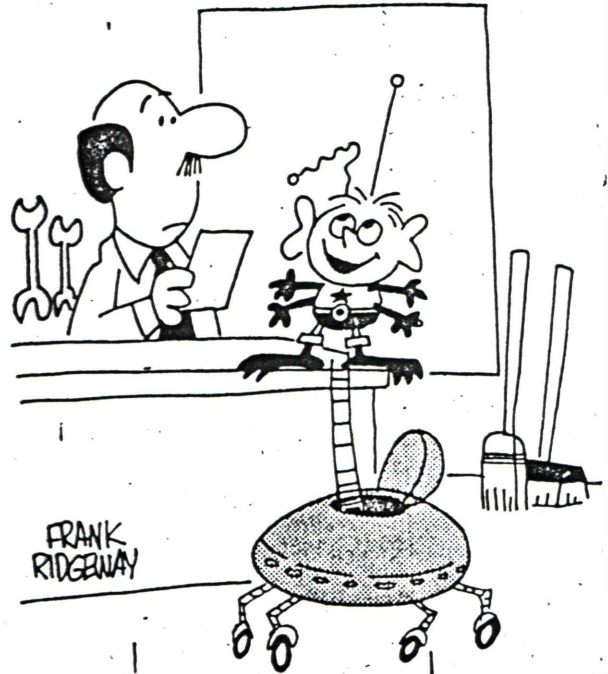
**"The sleek UFO...
circled overhead and
undemeath at fantastic
speeds...maneuvering
around the B-47 for
well over an hour."**

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"There's four billion of them down here! Make sure none get on the ship before we take off."

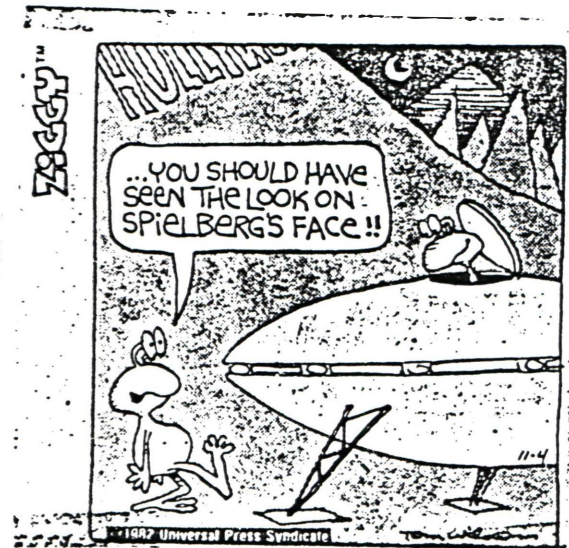


FRANK RIDGEWAY

"HAVE YOU GOT A REPLACEMENT ANTENNA?"



Colonel, bring in this man who started the rumor about Martians infiltrating the army!

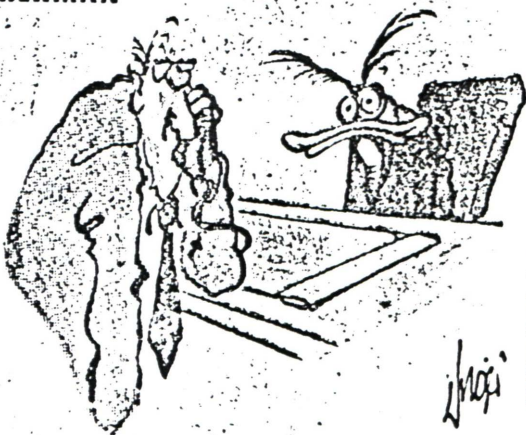


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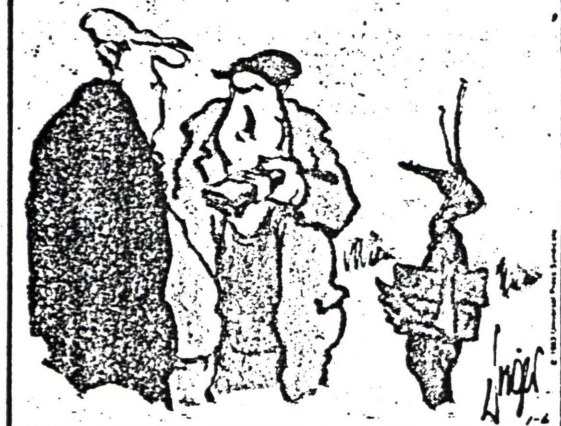
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"Are we still hiring minorities?"

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"He wants to give us \$1,000 to use the moon for a few days!"



The June issue of "Centre Update", a publication of O.S.E.A.P. Journal, contained a book review. Parts of that book review follows. Courtesy: O.S.E.A.P. Resources Centre, 92 Hillcrest Road, Offerton, Stockport, Cheshire, SK2 5SE, England.



BOOK REVIEWS.

STRANGERS IN OUR SKIES - UFOS OVER NEW ZEALAND/Mervyn Dykes - 192 pages, illustrated (1981)/INL Print Ltd., Eastern Hutt Road, Taita, Lower Hutt, New Zealand - price unknown. Beside accounts and quotes on this country's many sightings, details on the Kaikoura lights and 1909 airship sightings are also included. A pro-ET belief is to be found running throughout the book and features the, by now, obligatory scattering of theories which one can find printed elsewhere over the years. It is, however, a modest and average book, spoilt by the following sentence on its final page 'Can we really afford not to step up our studies of these awesome frightening, tantalising strangers in our skies?' Can he seriously mean UFOs?

THE STONE OF KIRIBATI - PATHWAYS TO THE GODS/Erich Von Daniken - 268 pages, illustrated (1982) - £7.95.- Souvenir Press, 43 Great Russell Street, London, WC1 3PA. More of the tried and trusted formula from the Swiss-born author. This time he visits the Kiribati Islands in the South Pacific, searches to find the body of Christ buried somewhere in Kashmir and amongst other items discusses megalithic sites in the United Kingdom. He pours superficial scorn on his many critics and continues to supply his fans with, according to him, undeniable facts to support his theories; in the book Erich informs us that the films 'Star Wars' and the 'Empire Strikes Back' were fertilised by his ideas. I'm sure a certain person named Lucas would beg to differ! A book for the converted.

AN EXPERIMENT WITH SPACE/Robert Kingsley Morison - 64 pages, diagrams (1980) - £3.25. Ascent Publications, 34 Elm Grove, London, N8 9AH. The author retreads the well-worn path of speculating and explaining power sources of UFOs (writers like Leonard Cramp and Eugene Burt spring to mind as writers on this subject), funny how no one has ever put these theories into practice and flew off into space although one can still point to John Scarle and his endless rhetoric accompanied with wooden models. This book deals with Morison's 'own' ideas on generating levitational forces based on the cortex principle, he adopts the silly terminology of 'ASV' to describe UFOs, this abbreviation stands for 'Alien Space Vehicle'. He along with Clancarty, who writes the introduction, believe UFOs exist in a piloted nuts and bolts form, which they seem to forget is pure speculation. The format of this book is hardback (4½x7 inches), greatly overpriced, even accounting for all net profits going to Amnesty International.

THE CATALOGUE OF UFO PERIODICALS/compiled by Tom Lind (July, 1982).
Said of Saucers - Tom Lind, P.O. Box 711, Hobe Sound, Florida, 33455-0711, U.S.A. (Soft covered/Spiral backed). It was back in the days of UFO INSIGHT that the reviewer, then Editor of that magazine, was first contacted by Tom Lind with a request for a copy of INSIGHT, together with publication details. The length of time that has passed since then, some two or three years ago, is testament to the voluminous

task Mr. Lind has undertaken. After looking at the catalogue I can say it was a worthwhile project. At the time of writing this review, however, any benefits it holds like in the use it will be put to in the future. As a historical and archival document it is unique and I'm sure bodies such as the OSEAP Resources Centre and the AFU in Sweden will make good use of the information contained therein. It is sensibly laid out in alphabetical order and guidelines how to use the contents are clear enough. One hopes the sheer number of entries do not overwhelm any researcher. Practical considerations apart, what the catalogue represents is the multi-faceted world of the international UFO sub-culture. Scan through the pages and you can almost tell from the titles what type of magazine is listed. The diversity of opinions, theories and belief that must be contained in those publications listed must be limitless. What number of high-hopes and faded dreams are represented here? No bias is displayed in the listing and you will find the self-important, semi-religious, outlandish and supposedly scientific rub shoulders within the Catalogue's pages. This is an important document, because without any hint of pretension, it is a permanent record of the ever-surprising world of 'Ufology'. One that is never dull, if not always on the right lines. A recommended purchase for the UFO archivist. (M. A. Tyrrell).

MEN IN BLACK/R. H. Chester and W. C. McMillan - 390 pages (1978).

Pelham Books, 44 Bedford Square, London, WC1B 3DU - £8.50. This book, which has only just come to our notice, is by far the most authoritative account yet of the activities of the mysterious 'Men in Black' who have frequently been involved in the UFO scene over many years. The authors show a comprehensive knowledge of the whole subject and have thoroughly researched it; showing, for example, that MIB have appeared not only in the USA, as is commonly thought, but also in such countries as Britain, Australia, South Africa, Ireland, New Zealand and France. Moreover, as the authors demonstrate, their appearances do not coincide solely with UFO activity but with several other paranormal events, dating back to 1903. Surprisingly, they usually appear during daylight hours and do not usually travel in small groups of two or three, but in somewhat larger numbers. It is very interesting that they turned up in England during the UFO flap of 1954 and even more so during the Autumn of 1967 - which was also a period of intense UFO activity. They also appeared, not surprisingly, in the South Wales area! There are some photographs in the book. The reviewer was quite impressed with them, their quality is very good and certainly superior to the usual UFO-related photos. Only one is in colour, but the black and white ones are first class. The book also includes a bibliography, and an appendix; there are some tables giving a list of all the known appearances of the MIB, some of which will surprise readers. Their effect on those

fortunate (or unfortunate) enough to have come across them is quite remarkable. All in all an excellent book for anyone interested in this very strange, but important aspect of 'Ufology'. (SBR).

NIGHT SIEGE - THE NORTHERN OHIO UFO CREATURE INVASION/Dennis Pilichis -

40 pages, illustrated (1982). \$6.00 (IMO) outside USA. Available from the author, P.O. Box 5012, Rome, Ohio 44085, USA. A rural property and its inhabitants, in mid-1981, began to be terrorised by strange dark forms with glowing red eyes. Strange lights, mutilated livestock, UFOs, paranormal overtones; it's all here - how much though can we believe? First of all, the investigators concerned were at a disadvantage - being believers. The Author has already published a 60 page book, in 1981, entitled 'Bigfoot-tales of the Unexplained Creatures (UFOs and psychic connections)'. Having said this I'm sure all concerned were sincere in their own studies of events described; their organisation does leave something to be desired, the enthusiasm they had appeared to have been channeled away from getting hard evidence. It's bad, for instance, to read that the witnesses had a callous habit of shooting at anything that moved at night. Even worse when the investigators attempted to kill the intruders with baited live rabbits with cyanide capsules inside them, a repulsive action! There is no photographic evidence other than prints of casts taken of footprints; no analysis of the alleged recordings of noises said to have emanated from the creatures. The presentation of the evidence makes for an entertaining read. It is interesting to read of a creature abducting a 100 lb. calf under its arm, but when one realises it's a second-hand unsubstantiated story still under investigation we have to ask why was it included - to add to the 'evidence'? It's a familiar format and reminded one of two books which reeled off all manner of sensational claims - Ann Slate and Alan Berry's 'BIGFOOT' and John Keel's 'VISITORS FROM SPACE'. It's a pity the subjective element has crept in to this report, any credibility was lost when the author states in the introduction "Never at any time has there been any evidence of outright hoaxing", he fails to tell us how he came to this decision. He also states "The material in Night Siege is true", again no evidence to prove this unless the reader accepts everything at face value. All involved in the investigations were hardly impartial and a four month period to research and print the details on this case is woefully too short. I'm sure that if the Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal had arrived on the scene and carried out their own investigation, its conclusions would have been somewhat different to this booklet.